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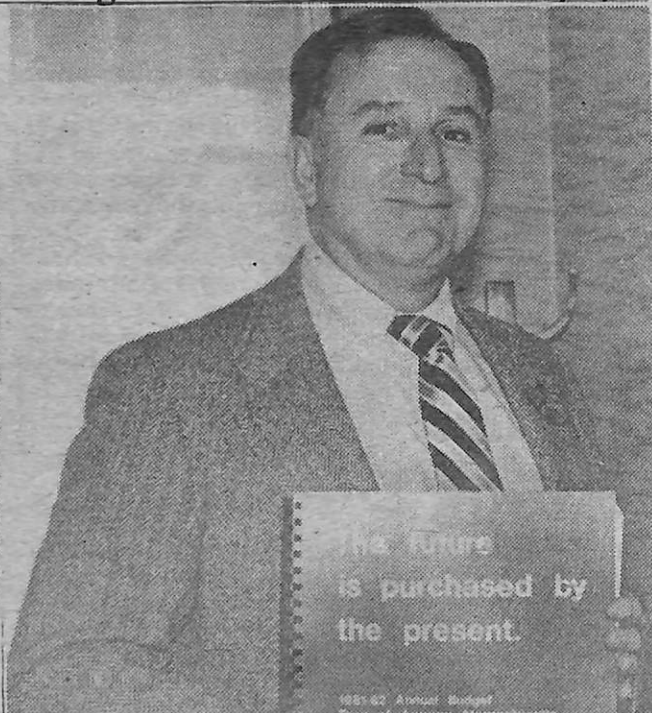
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Town Manager Richard Bowen explains various aspects of the 1981-82 municipal budget at a press conference Tuesday.



Bowen displays the comprehensive 370 page document in the executive office at Town Hall.



Bowen answers questions on his budget message to reporter's Tuesday. Photo by Jack Devine.

## Bowen Unveils Municipal Budget

By Stephen Gazillo

Town Manager Richard Bowen has unveiled a comprehensive \$21 million budget that displays the "stark reality" of lost revenues for fiscal 1981-82 and is contingent upon the acceptance of a steep hike in water and sewer fees.

The proposed budget, contained in a 370 page document presented to Town Council Tuesday night, shows a net-reduction of 34 full-time employees (17 town, 17 school department), the elimination of the Parks and Recreation Department, the consolidation of other departments and a 54 percent and 125 percent jump in water and sewer fees respectively. Ambulance and rubbish removal fees are also built into the budget.

In spite of constraints, Bowen asks for the creation of an entirely new department, an Office of Community Development to be headed by a town planner, and also the creation of a fulltime town dog officer.

In his presentation, Bowen described the budget as a "rich bill of fare," that must be kept in balance by virtue of limits upon the town's ability to raise income. He stressed that any budget changes by Town Council in a specific area must be offset in another area in order to achieve a balance and remain within the limitations of the law.

At a press conference earlier in the day, Bowen stated that, "There is no way the town can afford to do what it has in the past," referring to the elimination of the parks department.

He added that the area most seriously affected in his budget is that of capital improvement. "As it stands now, we have no means of financing any new projects," he said.

Bowen proposes initial funding of \$1.7 million for a five-year capital improvement plan totalling \$17.7 million.

On the income side of the budget, Bowen's proposal hinges on acceptance of water and sewer user fees. This controversial proposal has so far failed to gain enough support from the council, and, if rejected, could seriously alter the entire budget.

The proposed fee increase would generate almost \$2 million in revenues for the water and sewer departments and make each totally self-sufficient, he said.

On the income side of the budget, the proposed net-reduction of 34 fulltime employees would be divided equally between the School Department and Town Hall.

The 17 to be cut from town departments include all seven employees from the Parks Department, three policemen (including one sergeant), three firemen, the town's two community nurses, and one employee from the town treasurer's office, school maintenance, and the Council on Aging.

The elimination of the Parks Department at a savings of some \$140,000 is the greatest single reduction in Bowen's budget. He pointed out that consolidating the maintenance of schools and grounds under one new department, the Department of Public Properties, is a cost-saver.

The only program to be spared under the Parks Department is the \$15,000 "Camp Rainbow" summer program for special needs children.

### SPECIFIC FEATURES

\*Establishment of an ambulance charge of \$100 per call.

\*A rubbish removal charge that would be based on the total number of users divided by the total cost of a contract (somewhere in the neighborhood of \$25 a year per customer based on a \$200,000 contract).

\*The creation of a fulltime dog officer position at a cost of \$17,000.

\*The creation of a fulltime Community Development Office at a cost of \$40,000.

\*Allocation of unspecified amount to train 25 paraprofessionals to act as "call-men" for the Fire Department.

Two charter amendments accompany Bowen's budget. One would establish a personnel merit system; the other would require adoption of a Master Plan to oversee town growth.

## Parks Department Casualty Of Budget

With the shadow of Proposition 2 1/2 hanging over the community and faced with some tough decisions, Town Manager Richard Bowen announced Tuesday night that the town's Parks and Recreation Department will be abolished along with most of its operating budget.

### Seven Positions Cut

Bowen told Town Council in his municipal budget message for 1981-82 that 7 fulltime positions in the Parks Department will be lost, including the slot of director Jack Kunasek.

Also lost will be a secretary and five ground-keepers.

Bowen said monetary support to athletic associations and the summer playground will not be continued in the next fiscal year.

Only the department's summer special needs camp will miss the budget axe. This camp will operate with a budget of slightly over \$15,000.

Maintenance of all public fields, now a responsibility of the Parks Department, will come under the jurisdiction of a new department called the Department of Public Properties, which includes town buildings and property.

Julian Miodowski, current director of the School Maintenance Department, will assume the directorship of the Department of Public Properties.

According to Bowen, several of the five ground-keepers lost to the Parks Department "in all likelihood" will be absorbed by the new department.

### Upkeep Of Grounds

Bowen has budgeted \$60,000 for the upkeep of grounds and has provided for an assistant to Miodowski to oversee maintenance operations.

He said, "I think it would be physically impossible for the new department head to handle both the indoor and outdoor maintenance of public properties so I have included funds for an assistant to the department head."

Bowen stated that consolidating the two departments and abolishing the Parks Department was "a fact I had to deal with due to the difficult nature of assembling this budget."

Bowen said that because of attrition and bumping it remains difficult to predict how many of the parks department staff will be absorbed into the new department.

"Theoretically, 3 or 4 of them may be eliminated but my expectations are that through attrition some will be placed into the new department."

He added, "Union contracts also come into play, here so we're not sure at this point what will happen."

The employees of the department are in the same bargaining unit as the Department of Public Works (DPW) employees.

As Bowen's budget now reads, Miodowski will lose one custodian. The closing of Danahy School however, where custodial services no longer will be necessary after June, should not hinder custodial services in the other school buildings.

"It is very difficult to cut jobs but we are faced with difficult times and the budget, in my estimation, is as fair and logical as possible," Bowen said.



## Parks Dept. Cuts Across Board

With the grim announcement that the Parks and Recreation Department will cease to exist following July 1, Town Manager Richard Bowen said the town intends on providing recreational opportunities for all activities and organizations that can be put on a self-sustaining basis.

### Budget Reduced

Bowen told Town Council in a Tuesday evening budget message that the Parks Department, which in fiscal 80-81 operated on a budget of \$205,000, will be reduced to \$60,000, most of which is earmarked for maintenance of public property.

Affected by the announcement are the Agawam Hockey Association, the Agawam Athletic Association, the Agawam Soccer Association, the Parks Department's entire summer playground program, the learn-to-swim program, gymnastics, and baton.

According to Bowen's fiscal 81-82 budget, Camp Rainbow, a special needs summer program at Shea's Field, will be maintained.

Bowen told councilors that the seven positions in the department no longer will exist and that several of those slated to be cut may be absorbed by the new Department of Public Properties.

Bowen's budget also calls for the consolidation of the Agawam Youth and Span Centers into one unit with the town contracting services to the two organizations.

### Oversee Both Operations

Bowen has earmarked \$29,000 between the two organizations. One board of directors will oversee both Span and Youth Centers.

Last year, after a long and hardfought budgetary session, the council allocated the Youth Center \$20,000 and Span Center \$15,000.

Bowen said both the Youth and Span Centers receive valuable matching grants from the Commonwealth due to the town's monetary support and failure to providing funding for the two organizations "would make them completely inoperable."

Said Bowen, "The town will contract the services of Span and Youth Centers. Failure to do so would result in the loss of two or three times the amount of federal and state funds."

Bowen said Span received \$19,000 in matching federal funds under Title XX. The federal funds are administered by the Commonwealth.

The Youth Center provides youths with outdoor skill-oriented programs and Span provides professional counseling for social problems such as family, marriage, and alcohol and drug abuse.

### Self-Sustaining

Bowen said that any organization that can provide self-sustaining programs can and will be aided by the town.

"No one at Town Hall is against recreation or town sports," Bowen said. "We are just in the situation where organizations in town must find other ways to fund themselves."

He added, "I don't believe that any organization providing programs for the children in the community will be eliminated."

Bowen said the cuts in the Parks Department budget were difficult to make in a recreation-minded community such as Agawam, adding, "We want to cooperate in any way possible with the community to make the monetary impact of the cuts as liveable as possible."

## Liquor Commission Grants Full Licenses

By Stephen Gazillo

A home rule amendment passed in the Massachusetts State Legislature and signed by Governor Edward King on March 23 transfers all seasonal liquor licenses in town to full liquor licenses as of April 1st. The bill, filed by State Representative Edward Connelly, at the request of the Town Council, allows Agawam's ten seasonal liquor license holders to purchase a year-round license and eliminates seasonal licenses from the books.

Agawam Liquor Commission Chairman Joseph Dahdah, who held a special meeting last Friday to announce the change, said the special legislation prohibits the granting of any other full licenses until a population quota is met as specified under Chapter 138, Section 17 of the Massachusetts General Laws. The law stipulates a quota of one liquor license per 2,500 population.

Dahdah stated it was a "pleasure to make the announcement because the change means a lot to those with seasonal liquor licenses. He pointed out that seasonal license holders have suffered unnecessary financial hardships during the period mid-January to mid-April when they have been forced to shut down their sale of alcoholic beverages due to the restrictions of their licenses.

Ms. Linda Latour, general manager of Jeff Allen's Delicacies, one of the establishments affected by the bill, said the news was a great relief.

"Our business dropped 25% during the periods when we couldn't sell wine or beer," she commented. Ms. Latour added that the seasonal license imposed management problems each year when they had to shut down and that many customers would go elsewhere during the restricted periods.

The legislation began as a resolution presented to the Town Council by Councilor Paul Paleologopoulos last December. It drew sharp criticism from liquor license holder Ernest Lombardi, owner of J.W. Wimpy's and the Green Gables, who charged that the conversion would bring the total number of full liquor licenses well in excess of the quota set by law. Councilors argued that no new licenses were actually being added by the conversion because it pertained only to already existing seasonal license holders. The council unanimously passed the resolution.

Town Clerk Edward Caba wrote up a draft of the bill, and Liquor Commissioners Dahdah, Richard DiLullo, and John Chriscola, along with Paleologopoulos, attended the legislative sessions in Boston.

The town currently has nine all-alcoholic club licenses (one added by the change), three all-alcoholic innholders licenses (one added), 22 all-alcoholic common victualer licenses (five added), and two year-round wine and malt victualer licenses (both seasonal before).

Those establishments affected by the legislation are Agawam Moose Lodge, Jeff Allen's Delicacies, Elbow Cafe, Jo-Jo's Lounge, Desi's Place, The Outpost, Pam's Place, Riverside Park Enterprises, Riverside Park Food Service Inc., and the Southgate Package Store.

## Swiss Club Seeks Buidling Donations

The Springfield Swiss Club headquarters off North Street was destroyed in a January fire that left only one wall standing. The fire has been classified "suspicious" and members believe it may have been set by area youths who regularly vandalized the building. The club is offering a \$5,000 reward for information leading to the conviction of the arsonists.

According to club president, John Fedier of West Springfield, the clubhouse and contents were valued at close to \$36,000. The club had no insurance on the building because the small membership could no longer afford rising insurance premiums.

Total cost of rebuilding is estimated at \$50,000. According to Fedier, members favor either cinder block or poured concrete to make the new building "impermanent." A Springfield Swiss Club Rebuilding Fund has been set up at the Springfield Institution For Savings, 1500 Main Street, Springfield 01001.

According to Fedier, public response to the club's plight has been encouraging so far. "I'm very excited about the response we've had," he said. "People who don't even know me have volunteered materials at cost, free labor, and money. If we can raise \$15,000 to \$20,000, we believe the foundation and walls and some semblance of a building can be rebuilt by the end of the summer."

The austere, but homey clubhouse was built in 1913 and had served as a gathering place for three generations of Swiss-Americans. Over the years, the club's membership has gradually dwindled to only 12, most of whom are in their 60's.

Because of the isolated location of the clubhouse, it had been vandalized at least once a month by youths who sometimes broke in and stole furniture, utensils, tools, and so on, according to Fedier. Now the clubhouse is completely destroyed.

Fedier is appealing for donations to help rebuild the clubhouse. If any organization or individual wishes to help out, he can contact the SIS Bank.

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## Borgatti Invites Seniors To Concert



Police Association President Edward Borgatti, left, presents tickets to senior citizens Kathryn Aldrich and Edna Fields to the Associations' April 16 benefit concert to be held at the Junior High School. Looking on is Phyllis Mason, executive director of the Agawam Housing Authority. Photo by Jack Devine.

## On Local Politics...

By Stephen Gazillo

Steve Gazillo's column "On Local Politics" will be a regular feature of the Advertiser/News beginning this week.

The most well kept secret in town, the contents of the Town Manager's 1981-82 municipal budget has at last been revealed. Speculation over what could or might be slashed, now gives way to a proposed set of facts and figures. A few points deserve attention.

First, the Manager has presented a well-organized, complex budget which has met the March 31 filing date, a feat not easily accomplished in light of the current budget limitations and the pressures of operating without a precedent.

The information is presented in a coherent manner that is not difficult to follow.

Bowen deserves commendation for the thorough job. The menu he presents is easy to read, though its contents may be difficult to swallow.

All indications point to a heated period of budget deliberation. How could it not be? The proposed elimination of a whole department (parks and recreation), the cutting of personnel mixed with the creation

of a new department and steep increases in user fees; this is not likely to go without question.

The unveiling of the budget has set the democratic process in motion. This is not the time to sit idly by. If the Manager's proposed "bill of fare" is not palatable to the majority of the townspeople, it should be made known through the body that is designated to represent the people: Town Council.

The Manager clearly agrees, as a quote from him clearly reveals: "These are not easy times for local government in Massachusetts. Budgeting, especially for 1982 is not for the faint of heart. It is worthy of individual and collective best effort. Too much is at stake to swallow anything less."

**The sounding board for the concerned citizen is clearly the town councilor. It is the council that approves or disapproves the budget.**

And the council is the only body that is directly accountable to the people. In the final analysis, it is the people that scrutinize the budget by notifying their councilors and airing their opinions.

More on this and other budget-related comments in future weeks.

## Local Teachers Rally On Boston Common

By Joanne Brown

Approximately 40 Agawam teachers joined with colleagues from across the state to rally on Boston Common last Saturday. Estimates say 20,000-25,000 citizens concerned with the effects that Proposition 2½ is having on communities in Massachusetts were gathered together by leaders of the Massachusetts Teachers Association.

A cross section of many groups representing discontented state residents listened to a variety of speakers explain some of the "disastrous effects" that are coming with implementation of 2½.

Aside from MTA leaders William Hebert and Carol Dougherty as speakers, others who addressed the gathering were two parents from Randolph, a town particularly hard hit by 2½; a truant officer from Boston, where 12 of the present 26 attendance personnel have been slated for the ax in a city already overloaded with about 1,000,000 absent students per year; and a representative from a tenants association who indicated that tenants now realize they were "duped" into thinking 2½ would be advantageous to them.

A student from Nauset Regional High School on Cape Cod impressed the crowd with his knowledge and poise as spokesman for the Students Against 2½.

A fireman warned of firefighters' inability to protect communities with reduced forces. He pointed out that predictions made prior to passage of 2½ about fire insurance rates going up have already begun to prove true.

A most effective Protestant clergyman served as a final speaker and stirred the crowd to call for more of his comments. His remarks served to end this portion of the rally on a note of unity and commitment.

Following the speakers, statements of the impact of 2½ on each community were nailed to mock doors. These symbolic statements will be delivered to the House of Representatives.

Reportedly, the individuals who attended the Boston rally returned to their hometowns to act as the driving force in encouraging grass roots movements to convince legislators that 2½ must be altered.

One teacher who attended declared that not only those who originally felt 2½ would be disastrous, but an ever-increasing number who now realize that people did not get TAX REFORM but AX REFORM at the local level are now involved in seeking changes in the proposition.

## Spring Cleanup Schedule

The Agawam Department of Public Works wishes to announce to town residents that the annual Spring Cleanup will be conducted from April 6-30. It should be noted that two days are allowed for the collection of each route.

Route 1 - April 6 & 7  
Route 2 - April 8 & 9  
Route 3 - April 13 & 14  
Route 4 - April 15 & 16  
Route 5 - April 20 & 21  
Route 6 - April 22 & 23  
Route 7 - April 27 & 28  
Route 8 - April 29 & 30

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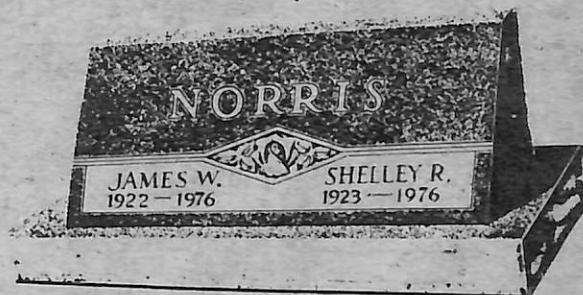
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## Connelly Meets With Teachers

By Joanne Brown

State Representative Edward W. Connelly met with Agawam teachers and other interested residents last Friday to explain further a bill he has co-sponsored with Rep. William Mullins of Ludlow. This bill would return 100% of state sales tax revenue to the 351 cities and towns in Massachusetts, as was originally intended when the sales tax proposal was passed in 1966.

Connelly flatly stated that at this point the majority leadership in the Legislature and the administration have no apparent desire to send additional monies back to the cities and towns. He urged local residents who wish to receive such additional state funds to offset the effects of Proposition 2½ to contact their local government officials and to write to state legislators.

"The immediate effects of 2½ are on the cities and towns and do not really affect state spending," Connelly pointed out. "Our bill is an attempt to offset the drastic cutbacks on the local level by sending the towns what is rightfully theirs to begin with."

Connelly traced the origin of his bill, noting that he had sought an alternate source of funds for local communities on the assumption that the state Supreme Court will probably rule that reliance on property tax for public education is illegal. The case is now pending, and if such a ruling comes down, the tax structure will have to be revised throughout the state. A possible alternative can be based on towns receiving 100% of sales tax revenue, according to Connelly.

He went on to cite approximately \$350 million in sales tax revenue, exclusive of meals and automobile taxes, which should be going to towns, but is presently diverted into a general fund, principally to offset costs of the welfare program. He said a clear message has to reach state government that Proposition 2½ is meant to deal with cutbacks on that level.

"I have indicated a number of areas where cuts can be instituted," Connelly remarked, "and that barely got into the subject."

He emphatically stated that 15% of every administrative dollar can be chopped with nothing happening to services.

He summarized his current position saying his bill faces stiff opposition from other legislators. He has sent out letters to each city and town government to inform them of the intent of his bill and strongly urges individuals to contact both local and state officials to express support for it.

"Unless this bill passes, the chances of getting the effects of 2½ offset in a meaningful (50% or more) way are little," Connelly concluded.

## Connelly Receives Municipal Praise

Representative Edward W. Connelly (R-Agawam) won the praise of the Massachusetts Municipal Association, the statewide organization of cities and towns, for voting in favor of increased state aid to municipalities next year. The effort to bring to the House floor a resolution to up state aid by a minimum of \$300 million in fiscal year 1982 was defeated 44-108.

"People must realize that it is now up to the legislature to make Proposition 2½ work, and this will require at least \$300 million in new state aid to offset some of the local service cutbacks," explained Municipal Association Executive Director James Segel.

He added, "It's going to be an uphill fight. Rep. Connelly's vote showed real political courage and a genuine commitment to implementing Proposition 2½ in a responsible manner."

## AEA Forms Crisis Comm.

By Joanne Brown

The Agawam Education Association has announced the formation of a Crisis Committee charged with working towards "a positive solution to monumental problems facing teachers in the immediate future."

AEA President Peter Lowrey detailed five sub-committees set up to deal with specific areas of concern. He stated that Mrs. Judi Lech, association vice-president for secondary schools, will serve as overall committee chairman.

The Political Action group will be chaired by Middle School teacher Dennis Moran and will coordinate lobbying efforts to encourage every teacher who is a resident of Agawam to urge his councilor to vote for the school budget as presented. They will also contact state legislators to ask them to work to amend Proposition 2½ as it currently stands.

Field Operations will be coordinated by Laurel Malerba for secondary schools and Gail Curnow for the elementary level. This group will handle all rallies deemed necessary.

Coalition with other groups interested in altering 2½ will be handled by a group temporarily chaired by Mrs. Lech. These individuals will contact groups such as PTO's, booster clubs, firemen, and policemen to coordinate efforts to have the town budget passed without further cuts. These other groups will be urged to join the teachers in lobbying and rallies.

Intelligence will be chaired by elementary teacher Andrew Bower and will function to control rumors. At least one teacher in each school has been appointed to verify the validity of statements being passed around.

General Chairman Judi Lech explains the function of this sub-committee saying, "We need a means of checking on rumors to prevent further erosion of morale among teachers due to possible misconceptions." She noted that individuals in this group will have a direct link to administration and will then disseminate correct information upon verification.

The fifth sub-committee, that of Public Relations headed up by high school teacher Lawrence O'Brien, will make certain everyone in the association as well as in the community is kept fully informed of the teachers' activities.

According to Lowrey, the teachers have organized this Crisis Committee "to be ready."



Judi Lech, AEA Crisis Committee Chairman. Photo by Jack Devine.

"The Town Council has control of the entire budget, and up till now, there has been no mention of cuts in any other area but schools," Lowrey declared. "With 109 teachers on notice, we want to keep our members aware of what's going on and of what we can do."

Both Lowrey and Mrs. Lech have stated all teachers will be encouraged to follow closely the decisions of the Town Council during budget sessions. They are also being urged to attend the School Committee's public hearing on their budget.

Mrs. Lech explained, "We want to organize all teachers as well as concerned citizens to attend the public hearing on the School Department budget to be held April 7th."

"The future success of the educational system of Agawam is on the line," she continued. "The budget adopted will affect the children and the teachers of Agawam significantly, and all involved should be aware of any decisions which have been or will be made."

## Cablevision Hearing Scheduled

The Agawam Consumer Advisory Commission will again sponsor a public meeting for subscribers and residents of the town to voice their opinions and concerns with the management of Commonwealth Cablevision on Thursday, April 2, between 7 and 9 p.m. at the Agawam Public Library.

All subjects pertaining to cable operations and installations will be open to discussion, such as programming, sports, quality of reception, channel blackouts, problems with Channel 27 reception, and billing matters.

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## Rotary Club Receives Minority Leader



THE AGAWAM ROTARY CLUB recently received Minority Leader William G. Robinson was its guest speaker. Pictured with Representative Robinson (center) is Rotarian Robb Townsend and Rotary Club President Rev. Paul Woodbury, Jr. The Rotary Club holds its weekly meetings at the Squires Restaurant. Photo by Jack Devine.

## For Senior Citizens...

### New Beginnings

By Rita White

There was a sign hanging in the old *Saturday Evening Post* offices that said, "Yesterday ended at midnight." This doesn't mean we can't have memories, can't look back. But it does mean we can't live yesterday over. Whatever happened, good or bad, it is done. It's time to think about today. To get down to the business of living and preparing a bit for tomorrow. Each day is a new one which means a fresh start every day. That's a wonderful gift. Be sure and use that gift.

To all the friends of Joseph Piazza, you may not know, but Joseph is now at the Mary Lyon Nursing Home, 34 Main Street, Hampden, MA 01036. Joe is a member of the Golden Agers. He will be 92 years old on April 13th. He would love to hear from his old friends and I know would appreciate a birthday card.

The Senior Center is still seeking craft instructors particularly for basket weaving and other weaving, rug making, decoupage, bead work, jewelry, miniature furniture, and toile painting.

Speaking of crafts, the Center will sponsor a Craft Exhibition from May 8-10 and is still seeking exhibitors.

Bath Path Junior College has invited the Agawam Seniors to their production of *Goodbye My Fancy* to be shown at Bay Path, April 21 at 7:30 p.m. Those of you who have attended these productions in the past know what a superb job is done and I'm sure all of you will enjoy this one. You will have to provide your own transportation at this time.

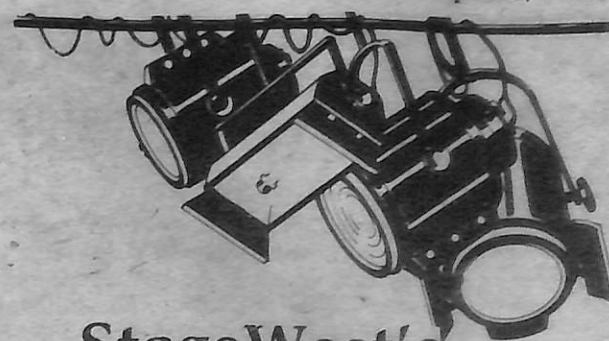
But be sure and all the Senior Center if you are planning to go as they need a listing. There is no charge for this terrific entertainment, so why not get a group of friends together and enjoy a nice evening out. Call the Center and give them the name. 786-0400, ext. 242.

Birthdays for March include Sandy Brown, Stella Day, Julie Genero, Julia Ardizoni, plus 17 more that were celebrated by the Golden Agers. HAPPY BIRTHDAY to you all.

The Golden Agers held their regular meeting on March 25th with another record crowd in attendance. Door prizes went to Felamina Alphonso, Carla King, Etta Golden, Marion Bearil and Florence Bisner. Mario Beltandi was welcomed as a new member since he had been sick at the last installation.

Tickets are on sale for the installation ball for new officers. Check with a member on where and when. There will be a raffle at the next meeting and Mr. Fred Skerry will entertain with the drawing of cartoon.

*Yesterday is already gone  
And here I am with today.  
I'd better get busy and fill it up  
With work, with love and with play.*  
Rita White



## StageWest's Othello Misses The Mark

By Joanne Brown

The words are right as are the music and sound effects, but the overall impression left by Stage West's production of *Othello* misses the mark. Shakespeare's well-known tragedy based on jealousy and revenge simply does not hit home.

This play begins with the black Moor Othello eloping with the bewitching young white lady Desdemona. A sub-plot involving a rivalry between Othello's two lieutenants Iago and Cassio for the top job leads the vengeful Iago to plot treachery against Othello by "setting up" the unwitting Cassio and Desdemona.

As much Iago's play as Othello's, the characterizations of both are crucial to its success. Herein is where the Stage West version falls short.

John Martinuzzi as Iago speaks all the right words, but is not convincing as the wicked, black-hearted villain. His use of inappropriate mannerisms often stirred out-of-place laughter from the audience and definitely detracted from the total impact Shakespeare intended for this character.

As for Leon Morenzie as Othello, his early scenes of tenderness towards Desdemona were much more satisfying - if somewhat cloying - than some of his later agonizing over her supposed infidelity. One scene where Morenzie does appear more convincing, though, is the one in which he demands from Iago proof of Desdemona's infidelity.

The performances most true to character in this play were those of Peter Burnell as Cassio; Donald Christopher as Brabantio, Desdemona's unhappy father; and Susanne Morley as Bianca, the flamboyant and filthy prostitute in love with Cassio.

Anne Kerry as Desdemona improved her interpretation as the play progressed and ended with much more flair than she began.

Director Hal Scott tells us he intended to build his play with bold strokes and, in certain scenes, he is successful. But when one considers the overall impression that might come from such a powerful play, one cannot term Mr. Scott's efforts overwhelming.

Excellent effort did come from Peter Moore, who choreographed terrific sword fight scenes, and from Elizabeth Covey, whose costuming provided distinctive contrast between Othello's background and the typical tunic-and-tights of the other soldiers.

This 3½-hour production, which includes two short intermissions, will be running at Stage West through April 11th.

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## UNICO DINNER SLATED SUNDAY



Agawam UNICO's 19th annual Macaroni and Meatball Dinner will be held April 5th at the high school cafeteria. Getting the fine cuisine ready are Thomas Cascio (foreground), honorary chairman and president; Paul Ferrarini, Sr. of the dinner committee and James V. Bruno, dinner general chairman. Photo by Jack Devise.

### Grange Slates Meeting

The location of the regular meeting of Community Grange on April 7th has been changed to Granville Grange Hall as the organization visits the neighboring grange. The meeting begins at 8 p.m., and all Feeding Hills members are urged to attend. If transportation is needed, contact Mrs. Earl Bradway 786-1409.

Community Grange holds a public card party every Thursday evening in the grange hall on North West Street starting at 7:30 p.m. Many prizes are given away each week following an evening of progressive whist.

### AAH Council Seeks Completed Applications

The Agawam Arts and Humanities Council has announced that all grant applications for Arts Lottery funds should be completed and returned to the committee. They will be placed on file for when funds will be available.

If grant applicants wish to change their applications, please notify Bob Sands, chairman. Applicants will be notified of any further changes or other information in the Arts Lottery grant.

### Square Dancers To Meet

The Gamblers Square Dance Club will hold its dance Saturday, April 4th, at the First Baptist Church, 760 Main Street, from 8 - 11 p.m. Jerry Benoit will be the caller. Mainstream plus; refreshments are served.

### Garden Club Slates Monthly Meeting

The Agawam Garden Club will meet Tuesday, April 14th at the Capt. Leonard House at 7:30 p.m. Following the business meeting, Ron Kujawski will be the guest speaker on the topic of "Care of Houseplants Outdoors and While on Vacation."

Kujawski is the Community Resource Development specialist for the Hampden County Cooperative Extension Service, program director for the Home Horticulture Education program for Western Mass., and on the Board of Trustees for the Berkshire Garden Center.

New members are invited to attend this meeting.

### Newcomers Club To Meet

The Newcomers Club of Agawam/West Springfield will hold its next meeting on Tuesday, April 7th at 8 p.m. at the Captain Charles Leonard House, Main Street, Agawam.

Shirrell Prunier from the Pioneer Valley Chapter of the American Red Cross will give a presentation on "First Aid in Foreign Body Obstruction." The public is invited; for information, call 786-6186.

### DAR Sets Meeting

Mercy Warren Chapter, DAR, will meet on Tuesday, April 7th, at 12:45 p.m. in the Guild Room of Faith Church, Springfield.

Past regents of the chapter will be honored guests at the meeting which will feature guest speaker Col. Daniel Orlitzki, USAF/Ret., who will speak on Man and Space.

### Mothers Of Twins Meet

Members of the Hampden County Mothers of Twins Club will hold their monthly meeting Monday, April 6th, at 8 p.m. at the Springfield Association of the Blind, 910 Liberty St., Springfield.

Guest Speaker will be a member of the Springfield Hot Line Self-Defense group. Members may bring a guest.

There will be an exchange table for clothes and coupons. Refreshments will be served. For more information about the club, contact Kathy Mouchantat, membership chairperson, 159 Green Hill Road, Longmeadow.

### Parents Without Partners Schedule Meeting

Lakeside Chapter 990, Parents Without Partners of Southwick will meet April 9th at the Southwick Country Club beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Jeffrey Leighton, founder and director of Modern Hypnosis of Springfield, will discuss what hypnosis is, how it works, and also present information on an assertiveness training course he gives for men and women.

Orientation for new and prospective members occurs each Thursday evening at 7:30 at the Southwick Country Club. The organization is dedicated to single parents and their families.

### Antiques Show Set At Ingleside Mall

Thirty-five select antiques and collectibles dealers from five states will inaugurate the first such show

ever at the Holyoke Mall at Ingleside Thursday through Saturday, April 2 - 4.

Diane and Dick Robbins, show managers for the Maven Company, producers of the antique show, stated there will be a wide variety of collectibles in every category and price range. Conducted on the main level of this three-level shopping mall, the show has been designed to appeal to the "antique buff" and serious collector as well as to the average shopper intent on picking up some one-of-a-kind item.

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## "On The Clothesline"



By Penny Stone

Whoops, we goofed! Last week, we inadvertently wrote that Private First Class EDWARD MANNING was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Manning. What we meant to write was that the proud parents are WILLIAM & MARY MANNING of 62 Stewart Lane. Our apologies to you and yours.

DOROTHY MORRIS of Agawam was honored by Baystate Medical Center for 35 years of service at the annual Employee Service Recognition Award ceremonies held recently.

Miss Morris joined the former Springfield Hospital as a secretary in the Nursing Office, responsible for Nursing Service and Education. In 1962, she became secretary for the assistant executive director for nursing and, most recently, for the director of patient relations.

A total of 87 employees with ten to thirty-five years of service were guests at the awards ceremonies.

Former Agawam residents CINDY & KEVIN LITTLEFIELD, who are presently living in Southwick, welcomed their first child into the world recently. "Matthew Carl" was born on March 13th and weighed 8 lbs., 10 oz. and was 22 inches long.

Proud grandparents to Matthew are DR. & MRS. R. F. MILICI of 21 Virginia Street, Agawam, and WILLIAM & RUTH LITTLEFIELD of 104 Carr Avenue, Agawam.

According to Grandpa Littlefield, the whole family is doing just fine. Cindy has taken some time off, of course, from her job in Springfield where she is a social worker for an abused children's agency. Father Kevin is a math teacher at Agawam Junior High. He's not likely to encourage his new son to pursue a teaching career when he gets older... Welcome to 2½, Matt.

Another boy born to Agawam folks is JOHN EDWARD, firstborn child of STEVEN & VIRGINIA CASSIDY of 347 Poplar Street, Feeding Hills. John arrived on March 2nd, weighing 8 lbs., 4 oz. and measuring 20 inches.

The first grandson was named after both of his grandfathers. Grandparents EDWARD & GLORIA DE JORDY live in Chicopee and JOHN & BARBARA CASSIDY reside on Mill Street here in Agawam.

The baby can boast of two great grandmothers: OLIVE DE JORDY of Chicopee and HAZEL HANSEN of East Longmeadow.

At this point, Poppa Steve is willing to let his son chart his own course for his future. What makes him different from other babies? "He's better looking than most," says the sleepy new dad.

Happy 16th birthday (last Tuesday) to friend and neighbor, MICHAEL PETRONE of 59 Federal Street. Gotcha!

Agawam High School senior STEVE BERARD of 55 Memorial Drive has recently been accepted for admission to Boston College where he plans to major in psychology while taking some good journalism courses as well.

Steve is the student editor of the high school's newsmagazine "THE MIRROR" which recently received recognition at the Tenth Annual Scholastic Press Forum held at American International College.

Steve won first place in the FEATURES category for his article highlighting ballooning in the October issue of the *Mirror*. Co-editor KATHY NICORA won second place in the COMMUNITY NEWS category of the awards presentations.

Steve, who calls himself "Public Relations Man" for the Granville Loners (a group of high school seniors who pal around together) is also teaming up with Loners JACK JURY and DOUG GUTHRIE to coach an 8-10 baseball team, the Astros, at Sacred Heart.

It looks as though this might be Steve's best season yet... Good luck to you all!

Speaking of the high school newsmagazine, eight members of "The Mirror" staff attended the 57th Annual Columbia Scholastic Press Forum on March 11-13. They gained much knowledge of layout and design along with copy through the help of Columbia University personnel. They also learned of the growth of video equipment in communications and journalism.

Press forums of this type are invaluable for the exchange of ideas in newspaper production, advertising techniques, and journalistic ethics. Columbia's convention is viewed as the "Academy Awards" of newspaper conferences for student journalists. Because of the entry dates, Agawam could not compete in this year's contest, but definitely plans to enter in June, 1981.

Call Penny at home (786-9144) or drop her a note at 72 Federal Street with any interesting events happening in your life.

## Young Chef Pleases At Casa Di Lisa

By Penny Stone

When a good idea catches on, it makes sense to expand on it. This seems to be the theory of Mr. Frank ("Cheech") Bruno, owner of Bruno's Pizzeria and Delicatessen at 807 Springfield Street in Feeding Hills.

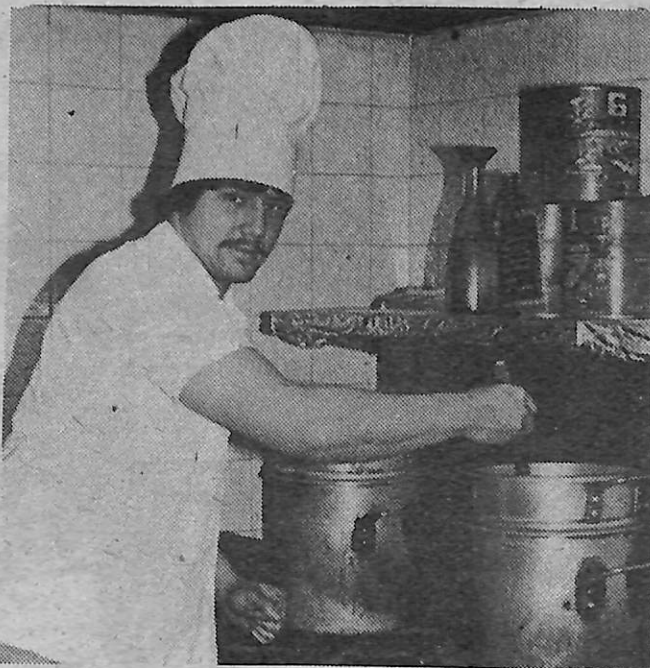
The restaurant was evolved as a natural result of the popularity of the pizzeria and delicatessen and it functioned at first as a pizza parlour. However, one success led to another, and the Casa Di Lisa, which opened its doors only eight months ago, has become a fine Italian eating place, serving fresh veal, unique fish & seafood dishes, and good pasta as well.

Named after Bruno's 5½ year old daughter, Lisa, the restaurant owes much of its success to its Head Chef, Michael Demusis. Michael is the talented son of Dick & Julie Debuque of Channel Drive, Agawam.

Though chronologically quite young, Michael has spent much of the past seven years in the kitchens of many area eating establishments, working his way up. Now only 19 years old, Michael got his start in the culinary field at the Green Gables on River Road, learning much from Chef Eddie Borgatti. Other cooking jobs have included: The Silver Carriage, Wimpy's Salvatore's, and Wiggins Tavern. Mike also worked under Pasquale Depergola who recently earned national recognition as "The Greatest Chef" (see March 19th issue of *Advertiser/News*).

Michael feels he owes his culinary accomplishments to having good teachers and to being always anxious to please the public. "I'm not a spice freak," notes Michael, adding that most people don't like overly seasoned food.

One of Michael's House Specialties is his zuppa di pesce, a gastronomical delight for the seafood and fish lover. It is actually an enormous fish soup comprised of crab, shrimp, sole, scrod, lobster, scallops, mussels, and clams - served on a generous bed of linguini. In addition, there are always daily specials-



Michael Demusis of Channel Drive, acts as head chef for one of the area's finest Italian restaurant, Casa Di Lisa Ristorante of Feeding Hills. Photo by Jack Devine.

offer Michael's original creations. "I take what people order the most and do something new and exciting with it to create a unique, but popular new dish," says the youthful chef.

The response of the public to the local restaurant has been excellent. Consequently, Mr. Bruno is again planning to expand. A separate lounge area will be set up for periods between seatings and the kitchen will be enlarged to facilitate servicing larger groups of people. According to Mr. Bruno, all this should be accomplished before summer arrives.

So, if you're looking for delicious Italian cuisine, prepared in a unique way by the area's fastest rising chef, and served in an authentic Naples atmosphere, try Frank Bruno's Casa Di Lisa Ristorante. You will be very glad you did!

## WSC Offers Life/Work Planning

Life/Work Planning is a series of six workshops designed to explore the specific needs of classroom teachers and other education professionals who may be facing future career change. The series is scheduled at Westfield State College for six consecutive Tuesdays beginning April 7th from 7 to 9 p.m.

The workshop sessions will consider self-assessment of employable skills, resume writing, job search strategies, effective interviewing, and stress management. It will, for the first time, be aimed at meeting the needs of this specific professional sector who face career changes yet are not aware of how to translate the skills they know they have into qualifications that would be of interest in business and industry, according to Susan Burkett, director of the Office of Economic Development Projects which is sponsoring the series.

William Kirk, director of Academic and Career Advising at Westfield State, will direct the workshop series. All workshops will be held in the Office of Career Planning and Placement, Room 101/ Parenzo Hall. The fee for the full series including workshop materials and workbooks is \$70. Advance registration is required as enrollment is limited. Call 568-3311 for more information.

## Band Slates Paper Drive

The Agawam High Band will sponsor a Paper Drive on April 4 and 5 at the High School parking lot between the

hours of 9 and 4. For any pick-ups, contact any band or color guard member or any person at the parking lot on those days.



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## Lions Donate Books To Library



Recently, the Agawam Lions Club donated \$250 worth of large print books to the Public Library. Displaying the books are, from left, King Lion Richard Bassette, Chief Librarian Donna Campbell, and Lion's Club Vice-President James Taupier. Photo by Jack Devine.

### COMMUNITY CALENDAR

**April 3**  
Smog/50's Dance  
Baseball Boosters  
Polish Club  
7 p.m.

**April 4th**  
Tag Sale  
Leonard House  
10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

**April 5th**  
Macaroni Dinner  
UNICO  
High School  
12:30 - 5:30 p.m.

**April 7th**  
Special Needs  
PAC  
Junior High  
7:30 p.m.

**April 7th**  
Newcomers Club  
Leonard House  
8 p.m.



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### Stigmatine Scholarship Committee To Meet

Stigmatine Scholarship Committee will meet Sunday, April 5th, at 7:30 p.m. at St. Anthony of Padua Church to make plans for their 19th annual banquet at the Colosseum Banquet House, West Springfield, on May 9th.

The committee assists young men studying for the priesthood in the Stigmatine Order.

### Ecumenical Communion Service & Breakfast

The 33rd annual Passion Sunday Communion Service and Breakfast sponsored by the United Churchmen of the Council of Churches of Greater Springfield will be held Sunday, April 8th at 7 a.m. in the First Church of Christ, Court Square, Springfield.

The Reverend Ronald E. Peters, pastor of the Martin Luther King Jr. Community Church and a member of the Springfield School Committee, will be the guest speaker.

The public is cordially invited to attend. Breakfast reservations may be made by calling the Council of churches at 733-2149.

### Pack 76 Holds Blue & Gold Dinner

Cub Scout Pack 76 recently held their Blue and Gold Banquet for which the scouts made placemats, napkins and centerpieces. The banquet was a great success, thanks to committee members, parents and every cub scout.

Many wolf and bear badges were awarded along with several silver and gold arrows. The Cub Scout of the Year Award went to Christopher Provost.

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E. Francis Nolin



Byron E. Mattson

### Mass. Mutual Promotes Locals

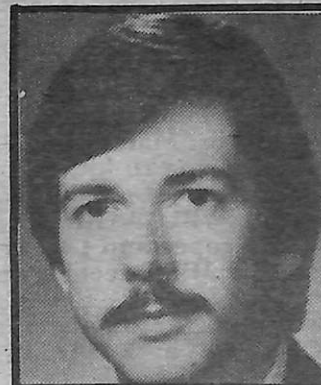
Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance has announced two recent promotions of Agawam men.

Byron E. Mattson of Feeding Hills has been named a director of accounting in the Financial Services Division at the company.

A native of West Springfield, Mattson was graduated cum laude with a BBA degree in accounting from the University of Massachusetts. An Army veteran, he joined the company in 1972 and is a member the National Association of Accountants.

E. Francis Nolin of Agawam was named associate director of underwriting, New Business Division.

A native of Agawam, Nolin received an AB degree in liberal arts and a masters in education from Clark University. He earned the Chartered Underwriter designation from the American College in 1973 and is a member of the Northeast Health Underwriters Association and the Northeast and Southern New England Home Office Life Underwriters Association.



### A Part Of Life...

By Peter Forastiere  
Colonial  
Funeral Chapel

### The Value Of Your Presence

Many people today are concerned about whether they should attend the wake or visiting hours when death occurs. Usually, this is because they are uncomfortable and are not sure exactly what they should say to the mourners. Just as the funeral is a ceremony where no one is invited, but all may attend, so is the wake or visiting hours.

What the caller must overcome is the mistaken belief that the mourner prefers to be alone. The visitor should understand that pain suffered alone is more difficult to bear than pain that is shared. Just by being there, the friend or neighbor testifies to the reality of the death as well as their support.

Do not be afraid to talk about the deceased. A conversation about the person that has died can be therapeutic for the mourner by making it easier for him to accept the death. Many times a firm shake of the hand of the survivors, a look into their eyes, will show that you care. So many people are worried about their ability to say the right thing, when they should be more interested in giving an understanding ear to the mourner.

Death is an inevitable part of human experience and not all people express their grief in the same manner. One may need to cry freely while another will get by with a few tears. One may find it healing to take a long walk and work it out alone while another will talk or cry it out with a friend or relative. The point is when a person suffers, he must find some honest expression that is natural for him. He must find his own method of resolving his grief.

One of the most important periods of adjustment is several days after the funeral when the mourner is left home alone. At this time, people often need other people to help them return to the mainstream of life.

A visit following the funeral can be good for the visitor also. It helps us prepare for a time when we are faced with the loss of a loved one. Sharing sorrow with others gives us a chance to work through some of our own unfinished mourning and we all have at least a little of that to do.

### Legal Notices Accepted



# For Your Health...

Know Your  
Drugs...



Cocaine, marijuana, heroin, and Afrin. What do these substances have in common? Most persons would say nothing, but alas, all four can be considered drugs of abuse. Afrin, along with other nasal sprays, are misused by thousands across the country every day.

Nasal sprays can be very effective in providing relief from nasal stuffiness when used properly. The major difference among the various products available over the counter today is their duration of action. These nasal decongestants reduce blood flow to the nasal passages by shrinking blood vessels in the same region. This causes the mucous membranes to shrink also, promoting drainage of the area and improving nasal ventilation.

One cannot overemphasize the fact that all labels on the containers should be read completely before using the product. A most aggravating phenomenon called rebound congestion (or rhinitis medicamentosa) often occurs when patients continue to use the nasal spray quite frequently for a longer period of time than the label suggests.

The nasal mucous membranes become nonresponsive to the medication and become even more congested. Since the drug causes vasoconstriction (shrinking of blood vessels), certain cells in the nasal passages will die from lack of nutrients if the effect is continued for any period of time.

Also, the agent itself irritates the interior of the nose after prolonged use. So, if a person continues to use a nasal spray for more than three or four days the chances of rebound stuffiness increases. Unfortunately, the normal urge is to use the spray more frequently to diminish the worsening stuffiness. The drug will most likely do nothing at all to improve the condition and damage will continue until the use of the spray is discontinued.

The only means of reversing the condition is to 1) stop using the spray and/or 2) switch to oral products or use an isotonic saline nose drop. Ask your pharmacist for a saline nose drop since these products are often stocked behind the counter with the other prescription drugs.

When purchasing nasal sprays persons should realize the potential dangers associated with their misuse. If the manufacturer recommends one or two sprays in each nostril twice a day, try one spray in the morning initially and determine if this is enough. If not, try two sprays at bedtime.

Why use more if less will produce a satisfactory response? Do not use the twice-a-day sprays continuously throughout the day. Also, recommendations to minimize the course of therapy to three or four days should be followed. The major point to the made concerning the use of nasal sprays is to read and follow all directions on the box. Otherwise, the chances of destroying the nasal mucous membranes are great and permanent damage is possible.

What Are We In?

## The Indigestion Generation



One wonders whether or not folks realize that when they gulp something to calm an upset stomach they're doing nothing about the cause of their problem.

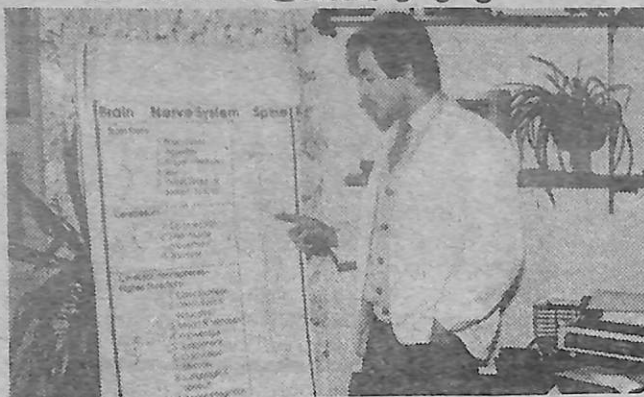
Nerves, nerves, tension, pressure. That's usually the problem, and you bet something should be done about it.

If you frequently find yourself under pressure or stress of strain... you know, the kind that produces ulcers or extreme nervousness or sleepless nights or what have you... please seek prompt and proper treatment.

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Dr. Joseph Schlaffer

I am occasionally asked if there are any side effects of chiropractic as there are with the practices of modern medicine. Side effect is a term that has a negative association as in the detrimental or adverse effects so common with medications. I am always amazed at the typical individual who takes a powder, pill or potion, whether it be prescribed or directly over the counter, without the slightest knowledge of the possible harmful effect.

Well, what about chiropractic and its side effects? In a short sentence, No. There are no detrimental side effects. There are, however, some beneficial effects that are a direct result of chiropractic treatment.

First, understand that when a spinal vertebra is pulled out of position, it can easily interfere with the function of the nerves that branch out from between vertebrae. The nerves, of course, are the communications lines between body systems, organs, and the brain.

Nerve interference can result in a lack of normal function of a body part (tissues, organs, glands, muscles, etc.) If this situation goes on uncorrected, various conditions can develop. In most cases, the misaligned vertebra has been out of alignment for a long period of time before the body produces a signal that warns of the presence of the original trouble, the vertebra being out of place and the resulting problems.

One or more spinal misalignments is often present in an individual's spine without him being aware of it. When examining a patient for a particular problem, I often find a spinal misalignment in an area of the spine that is not related to the person's complaint. When treatment begins, I try to correct these misalignments along with treating the major complaint. The result is what I refer to as the beneficial "side effects" of chiropractic care.

During treatment, I often get comments about improvements in areas of the body other than the problem which they originally came in with. Headaches, joint pains, heartburn, menstrual cramps are some of the conditions which I have been told improved through chiropractic.

If a problem is in fact due to a spinal misalignment then these improvements are easy to understand. A chiropractic examination could reveal the cause of a problem of which you were previously unaware.

## Skin Deep

By Eileen Trempe

In the selection of lipstick colors, women often pay no attention to their teeth. If teeth are yellowish, or less than white, lipstick should have an authoritative tone to it because pale, wishy-washy colors will make them look yellower. This doesn't mean that a woman has to wear bright tone, but if she has yellow teeth, a clear, lively pink, a mauvy rose, or a clear color of coral or brown tones will do better than the same pale tones.

Clothes in red, orange, pink or coral should always be matched as closely as possible to lipstick colors. Nothing is worse than a lipstick that fights against the color of clothes.

Most women would agree that their most important features are their lips and eyes. They not only draw attention to the face, but also really given people the first clue to the personality of the person. A beautiful mouth helps to balance your other features and gives warmth and appeal to your smile, but your mouth may be misrepresenting you.

Lips can be too full, too narrow, or lopsided. With age, the edges of the mouth tend to droop, pucker and get lined. The definition of the lipline disappears.

Lipstick properly applied can really help in these areas. A lipbrush, lipliner pencils, and soft, creamy moisturizing lipsticks can really do a fantastic job on your lips. Wide, overfull lips can be made smaller by applying liquid makeup over the mouth. Then with a lipstick brush or lipliner pencil, an outline should be drawn just inside the natural edges of the mouth. A pastel lipstick should be used to diminish the size of the mouth.

A too small mouth should be outlined with a lipbrush or lipliner pencil extending the upper lip above the natural lipline and bringing the corners of the lips out and up. The bright, iridescent tones of lipstick help to make the mouth look larger.

A lopsided mouth is an important mouth for the use of the lipbrush with which you can match one side of the mouth to the other and make certain that the high point of each side of the lips (the cupid's bow) is centered under each nostril. Soft, clear tones work well in correcting lip defects.

## Your Dental Health

By Stephen R. Jacaprarro, D.M.D.

When Shakespeare was just a lad studying history, he always had the urge to quote someone so that he wouldn't have to think of anything by himself. Unfortunately, before Shakespeare's time, no one had anything to say, memorable or otherwise (this was obviously before talkies came into vogue in the movie theatres).

What has all this got to do with anything, you ask. Someone asked me the difference between a cap and a crown and not being able to come up with a good one-liner of my own, I had to pilfer from Shakespeare. "A crown by any other name is still a crown."

A crown and a cap are just two different words for the same thing. When a tooth is broken down to a point where it is no longer able to hold a filling, and the roots are still in good health, the tooth is further reduced to a size where it can be covered by a new manmade tooth which covers the old tooth completely. This new tooth is held in place with permanent cement, and this is called a crown or a cap.

When you are having a tooth crowned that is visible when you talk or smile (such as the upper front tooth) you'll want something that will appear natural. The choice usually comes down to a selection between acrylic or porcelain covering the metal substructure of the crown. You want something that will last as long as possible while still remaining in an aesthetic condition.

With these qualifications in mind, porcelain has it tongues down over acrylic. Over the long run (or chew), the acrylic facings will wear down just from vigorous tooth brushing. Also, acrylic tends to stain if you happen to be a smoker or a coffee or tea drinker.

Porcelain, on the other hand, is much more aesthetic than acrylic because of its closer resemblance to natural enamel. It also will retain its color over the life of the crown and will not stain with certain foods. The only problem with porcelain is that it's more difficult to repair. However, I'd still advise you to go with the porcelain.

## Weight Watchers Lecturer

Robert Rzewnicki of 24 Red Oaks Circle, Feeding Hills, has been appointed lecturer in the Greater Springfield area, it was announced by Nettie Tamler who heads the Weight Watchers organization in Western Massachusetts.

Rzewnicki, who has himself lost 80 pounds on the program, ascribes his original weight gain to more sedentary working life at Combustion Engineers after he left the Air force - that and the fact that "My wife Beverly is a fantastic cook."

He now weighs 180 pounds, wears a size 40 suit, down from a 48, and has a waist measurement down from at tight 46 inches to a loose 36 inches.

Rzewnicki says he was motivated to perform as a lecturer by the desire to help others as he has been helped. Presently he is substituting in various classes, but will be assigned a permanent class shortly.

As a hobby, he is using his gourmet skills to create exciting new menus now allowed by the Weight Watchers New Food Plan.

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# EDITORIAL

## Letters to the Editor

### Gallano Put On Carpet

#### To The Editor:

Councilor Andrew Gallano has an improper item on the next council meeting agenda.

He wants to take issue with a statement with which he disagrees that appeared in the media. The statement Andy disagrees with is a news item published in the *Daily News* recently that disagrees with the bidding process by Town Manager Richard Bowen. Councilor Bonavita's demand was she wanted the bidding process reviewed, looked into for irregularities.

I should think that Andy would have demanded to have the contracts looked into to determine if there might have been any improper action.

I personally have suspicions because he, the manager, did break several facets of the law and should be fined for one of them, e.g. Chapter 41, Section 17 that states in part:

"Every officer who makes or executes a contract shall furnish said contract or copy thereof to the City Clerk and City Auditor within one week after its execution...and...any officer failing to comply with this section shall be punished by a fine..."

The record shows that rare is the time, if ever, since the start of this form of government has this law been adhered to. Andy, who takes claim for writing this charter for this form of government, should know what is in the charter. If Andy hasn't seen the contracts and if none of the councilors have seen the contracts, how dare they be critical of a brother councilor who seeks an answer in attempting to find out if there is an infraction of the law.

Plus the record shows that none of the bidders' proposals have been filed with the town clerk nor the auditor so how can anyone compare bids if they do not see the original or copy of same, the executed contract - and - since they haven't seen all the bids, how can anyone draw a comparison - how can anyone check to see if there was or is any hankey pankey going on?

I would suggest that Andy and the manager do their homework as I have. 1) Get copies of all recent contracts, if you can; 2) Get copies of all the unsuccessful bidders, if you can; 3) Compare same with the successful bidder; 4) Study them for irregularities - specifications, if fair to all bidders, etc.; 5) Compare all the bidders and specifications and determine if the council as a whole would have accepted what the manager bought; 6) Check the laws and determine for yourselves (council as a whole) if there are infractions; 7) Andy, you have no right to put this type of issue, the media issue, on the agenda.

He (Gallano) should know it is an improper agenda issue for a council meeting because it was at the last meeting that the council president and the council as a whole threw out as improper Bonavita's agenda item.

Andy, do you approve of dual standards: what's good for you can't be good for others.

Either the council as a whole don't know their job or do we, the people, have to consider their actions as a cover-up?

Jack Shaughnessy  
Cecile Street, Agawam  
Member, Citizens for Good Government

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## Town Hall Bulletin

The Town Clerk's Office announced today that the Gasoling Storage Permits are due for renewal and payable in the office.

Dog Licenses are now available. All dogs three months and older must be licensed according to state laws. When applying for the license we must see a copy of the rabies certificate.

Because of cost constraints we can no longer service requests through the mail unless they are accompanied by a self-stamped addressed envelope.



## FROM THE THIRD

By Rep Edward W. Connelly

The Connelly-Mullins Bill which has created considerable interest throughout the Commonwealth because of its potential for some 349 millions back to the cities and town in local aid, constantly raises the question by concerned budgeteers, "where will the cutting be done to provide the 349 million?"

This past week I joined with a number of my colleagues in sponsoring the BETTER BUDGET which will be presented to the Legislature as an alternative to the Governor's budget recommendations. By cutting state administrative costs and by creative consolidation of programs, we have found a \$320.8 million that can be cut from the Governors budget and be returned to the taxpayers in local aid.

In addition, where the Governor cut the fuel assistance program by 56%, the BETTER BUDGET refunds that program. Aid to Families With Dependent Children and General Relief programs were also increased by 6% under the BETTER BUDGET recommendations. We believe that the elderly and needy living on small fixed incomes should not be the target of cuts. The targets should be swollen bureaucracies. HIGHLIGHTS...

Here is a quick summary of the key changes we recommend.

#### Reductions in Governor's Recommendations

Commonwealth expenditures	\$250.7 million
Major reductions:	
15% in many administrative accounts.	
15% in legislative and executive accounts.	
\$8.9 million - Lottery Commission	
\$5 million - Reserve-Equipment	
\$124 million - Reserve for Salary Adjustments	
\$30 million - Consolidation of public health and mental health institutions.	
\$1.5 million - Closing DMH regional offices	
Metropolitan District Commission	15.5 million
Prior Appropriations Continued	40.0
Savings from purchasing reform	20.0
Vacant funded positions	40.0
TOTAL	\$366.2 million

#### Special Provisions.

The BETTER BUDGET will include a variety of special outside sections. The major provisions:

Increase motor vehicle excise revenues through improved collection.

Decrease or eliminate the financial impact of several state mandates relating to education, Chapter 766, veterans benefits, and county government.

Give Secretaries the ability to use funds and personnel in a flexible manner.

Encourage the improvement of the purchasing process in the Commonwealth as recommended in the report of the State Auditor. (10/79).

Limit the Commonwealth debt to current level, approximately \$7 billion.

If we can convince the Legislature to adlopp this new budget recommendation, we will succeed in reducing state spending while providing considerable additional local aid for the cities and towns across the Commonwealth.

#### LEGAL NOTICE AGAWAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Agawam Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing on April 9, 1981, at 7:30 P.M., in the Town Administration Hearing Room, First Floor, 36 Main Street, Agawam, MA. This hearing, pursuant of General Laws Chapter 131, Section 40, is called to act on the petition of Frank J. Solitario, to perform work subject to the Act at "Robin Ridge."

Anthony P. Liguori, Chairman  
Agawam Conservation Commission

Published: April 2, 1981

#### LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF AGAWAM PUBLIC HEARING PLANNED USE OF REVENUE SHARING FUNDS

In conjunction with the public hearing scheduled on the proposed town operating budget for fiscal period, July 1, 1981 to June 30 1982, the Agawam Town Council will conduct a public hearing on April 22, 1981 at 8:00 p.m., Agawam Junior High Auditorium, 1305 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, Ma. to hear citizens comments and suggestions, both written and oral, on the following proposed allocations of Revenue Sharing Fund-Entitlement Periods 12 and 13 in the amount of \$755,106 and previously unallocated funds in the amount of \$30,744:

#### Proposed Use:

Dept. Code	Acct. No.	Department	Item	Amount Allocated
25	101	Police	Regular Salaries & Wages	\$645,850
37	300	Public Works	Street Lighting	\$190,000
				\$835,850

A summary of the allocation of Revenue Sharing Funds in the context of the proposed annual town budget and a copy of the entire proposed budget may be inspected at the Town Clerk's office, 36 Main Street, Agawam, MA., between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. from Monday through Friday, each week.

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Anthony P. Liguori, Chairman  
Published: April 2, 1981 Agawam Conservation Commission

#### LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF AGAWAM BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will give a hearing at Administration Building, Agawam, THURSDAY, APRIL 16, 1981 at 7:30 P.M. o'clock to all parties interested in the appeal of ROBERT P. & GALE S. BROWN who are seeking relief from Section 20, Paragraph 34 (c) of the Zoning Ordinances to allow the retail sale of related items normally used in the riding of horses i.e., saddles, bridles, etc., on the premises known as 278 NORTH WEST STREET.

By order of the Board of Appeals,  
Theodore A. Frogulske, Chairman  
Published: April 2, 1981 & April 9, 1981

#### LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF AGAWAM PLANNING BOARD

The Agawam Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on Thursday, April 2, 1981, at 7:30 P.M., in the Town Administration Hearing Room, 36 Main Street, Agawam, MA., for the purpose of hearing public comments on the petition of Alexander D. Pedro and Joaquim B. Bernardes for the extension of Hope Farms Drive for lots A and B, being more particularly described and bounded as follows:

Deed description of a parcel of land owned by Alexander Pedro and Joaquim Bernardes. Certain real estate situated in said Agawam, Hampden County, Massachusetts, as shown on plan recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds, Book of Plans 141, Page 108, said land further bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at an iron rod marking the Southeast corner of a lot development now or formerly owned by Hope Farms, Inc. on the Southerly side of Southwick Street, in said Agawam; and

Running thence Southwesterly 9 47 37 along other land of the late Bertha Nacewicz, Four Hundred Seventy-eight and 08/100 (478.08) feet to an iron pin; and

Running thence Northwesterly 80 12 23, Eight Hundred Fifty-eight and 44/100 (858.44) feet to an iron pin, now marking the Southwesterly corner of land of the late Bertha Nacewicz; and

Running thence Northeasterly 21 01 15 along property now or formerly owned by Joseph A. and Mary B. Barkal, Four Hundred and Ninety (490) feet to an iron pin, to land now or formerly owned by Vivian Hastings; and

Running thence Southeasterly 80 12 23, Seven Hundred Sixty-nine and 13/100 (769.13) feet to the place of beginning. Together with the right to use for all purposes of a public street, Hope Farms Drive, Running in a Northerly direction from the said premises, to Southwick Street, as shown on a plan recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds, Book of Plans 134, Pages 44 and 45.

BY ORDER OF THE AGAWAM PLANNING BOARD  
Charles R. Calabrese, Chairman  
Published: April 2, 1981

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Mike Hazen - "Mental Problem."



Tina O'Keefe - "Why."



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Louis Calabrese - "I was surprised."

# Reagan Shooting Shocks Townsfolk

By Rita White

The Richter Scale should have registered a major tremor on Monday, March 30th at approximately 3:30 p.m. The tremor would have been the result of a shudder passing over the country at the news of the shooting of President Reagan.

For many, a November Day in 1963 came to mind. Would history repeat itself? For those too young to have lived through the horror of 1963, the shock was still there. Whether Los Angeles, Chicago, New York City, or Agawam, whether young or old male or female, people's reactions were basically the same.

Felix Augustino, 65, and a lifelong resident of Agawam, couldn't understand how "a 25 year old could have done anything against anyone at so young an age, and especially Reagan who was just starting out.

He made me a little sick," Mr. Augustino said. The 65-year-old did feel the policy of security has been lax in protecting the President, resulting in a lack of "screening for those entering the press area."

Doris Hamel, a resident of East Springfield who works in Agawam, said the assassination attempt was "terrible." She said, "The gunman must some kind of fanatic."

Added another horrified individual Ruth Johnson, "They should bring back capital punishment."

Mike Hazen, a student at Agawam High School, said that the shooting of President Reagan, like the murder of singer John Lennon, was done by people with a "mental problem."

As to the benefit of a gun control law, Mike feels that anyone who really wanted a gun, "would be able to get one."

Tina O'Keefe, 14, a student at the Agawam Junior High School, said she "couldn't imagine what reason the suspect would have for shooting the President."

Kathy Schindler was "surprised" when she heard the news. Kathy believes the President is "pretty well protected," and that there are just "too many guns in the world."

Allen Machia, 31, of Agawam was at work when he heard the news. Allen commented that perhaps "that is one of the things a President must be

prepared for." He feels "capital punishment" should be enforced on a nation-wide level.

Pat O'Brien, age 11, said he felt "awful" when he heard the news and thought "more gun control wjs a good idea."

Louis Calabrese, 20, was surprised when he learned of the shooting. He feels the President has enough security, but that we are "too lenient" with criminals in this country. Mr. Calabrese added that had this happened in some other country, "The gunman would have been dead on the spot."

Shock, anger, grief, all emotions being felt over the incident. How do we deal with these tragic events? Will Presidents have to wear bullet-proof vests and helmets in public? Will Presidents simply have to stay out of the public's vision with the exception of the television camera during his term of office? Will gun control help? Capital Punishment as a deterrent?

Agawam residents, and others around the Commonwealth and the country, are now seriously pondering these serious and difficult questions following the events of March 30th.

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### TOWN OF AGAWAM PUBLIC HEARING

The following budget has been submitted to the Agawam Town Council which will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, April 22, 1981 at 8:00 P.M., at the Agawam Junior High School Auditorium, 1305 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, Ma. The budget may be inspected at the Town Clerk's Office, 36 Main Street, Agawam, Ma. between the hours of 8:30 A.M., to 4:30 P.M. A summary sheet of the budget is available.

### PROPOSED 1981 - 1982 ANNUAL BUDGET Summary By Funds

	Total	General	Water	Sewer	Revenue Sharing	Capital Improvement
<b>INCOME</b>						
State Revenue	3,246,000	3,246,000	-	-	-	-
Motor Vehicle Excise	532,000	532,000	-	-	-	-
Licenses & Fines	129,000	129,000	-	-	-	-
Departmental Income	2,711,470	735,000	1,208,606	767,864	-	-
Overestimates	3,000	3,000	-	-	-	-
Available Funds	800,000	800,000	-	-	-	-
Tax Levy	11,212,981	11,212,981	-	-	-	-
Federal Grants	755,106	-	-	-	755,106	-
State Grants	386,000	-	-	-	-	386,000
Interfund Transfers	200,000	-	-	-	-	200,000
Borrowing	1,077,200	-	-	-	-	1,077,200
Other	195,744	-	-	-	80,744	155,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>21,248,501</b>	<b>16,657,981</b>	<b>1,208,606</b>	<b>767,864</b>	<b>835,850</b>	<b>1,778,200</b>
<b>EXPENSE</b>						
General Government	84,989	84,989	-	-	-	-
Staff	1,804,844	1,804,844	-	-	-	-
Public Safety	2,408,034	1,762,184	-	-	645,850	-
Public Works	1,127,092	937,092	-	-	190,000	-
Education	7,668,859	7,668,859	-	-	-	-
Sanitation	200,000	200,000	-	-	-	-
Health	144,294	144,294	-	-	-	-
Culture & Recreation	62,309	62,309	-	-	-	-
Conservation	215,580	215,580	-	-	-	-
Debt Service	1,184,171	1,184,171	-	-	-	-
Employee Benefits	1,040,836	1,040,836	-	-	-	-
Equipment Outlay	9,523	9,523	-	-	-	-
Reserve Fund	265,000	265,000	-	-	-	-
Intergov. Exp.	613,000	613,000	-	-	-	-
Overlay	300,000	300,000	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	165,300	165,300	-	-	-	-
Pub. Serv. Enterprises	1,976,470	-	1,208,606	767,864	-	-
Capital Outlay	1,978,200	200,000	-	-	-	1,778,200
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>21,248,501</b>	<b>16,657,981</b>	<b>1,208,606</b>	<b>767,864</b>	<b>835,850</b>	<b>1,778,200</b>

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# SCHOOL NEWS



Peirce School students enacting historical country dancing are, FOREGROUND: Dawn Fornier, Christene Canty, Chimene Gumbs, and Linda Rivera. BOYS TO FAR RIGHT: Jack Patterson, Jim Nardi, Joe Kosinski and Ralph Esemio. BACKGROUND: Valerie Voislow, Kim Roy, Carrie Vivenzio and Sandy O'Keefe. MIDDLE BOY: Leo Hamel. Photo by Jack Devine.

## Dancing Provides Historical Drama At Peirce School

By Joanne Brown

History is not only being learned, but brought to life in a most enjoyable way for fifth grade students of Mrs. Evelyn Lester at Peirce School.

With the assistance of Mrs. Dorothy Hegarty, Agawam's stringed instruments teacher, Mrs. Lester offers English and American country dancing to students in an after-school program held each Tuesday. Thirteen students - about half of her class - regularly participate.

"The boys and girls just love it," Mrs. Lester comments. "They must love it to show up after school on such nice days. They're always eager to begin and hate to see the time end."

The children's enthusiasm has been derived from that of the two teachers. Both do country dancing with their husbands and especially enjoy the English style. They attend regular dances in Amherst as well as in any other community where such gatherings are held.

"This type of activity is currently popular on college campuses," Mrs. Hegarty explains. "It's terrific exercise and an excellent alternative to competitive sports."

The students are taught basic dances, some of which have been adapted to their age and the number of participants. The dances themselves involve inter-

### SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

Mon., Apr. 6: Grilled Cheese sandwich, pickle chips, buttered peas & corn, mixed fruit cup, milk  
Tues., Apr. 7: Apple juice, spaghetti w/meat sauce, buttered green beans, Italian bread & butter, fruited jello w/topping, milk  
Wed., Apr. 8: Cheeseburg in roll, buttered carrot coins, parsley whipped potatoes, chocolate pudding w/topping, milk  
Thurs., Apr. 9: Oven roast turkey w/gravy, whipped potatoes, buttered sweet peas & corn, wheat bread & butter, peach crisp, milk  
Fri., Apr. 10: Filet of fish sandwich in roll, applesauce, baked beans, spice cake w/icing, milk

change among students in patterns of circles, swings, and do-si-do.

One dance from the Revolutionary period imitates military-style movements originally performed to the fife. The French name, "La Belle Catherine," emphasizes the French involvement with the United States during that period of our history and reinforces the students' knowledge of basic social studies.

"The entire concept of country dancing fits in well with the fifth grade social studies curriculum," Mrs. Lester notes. "We present them with a brief history of the dance and use the various forms to illustrate how they have changed from the English style to American, which has more of the foot stomping aspects to it."

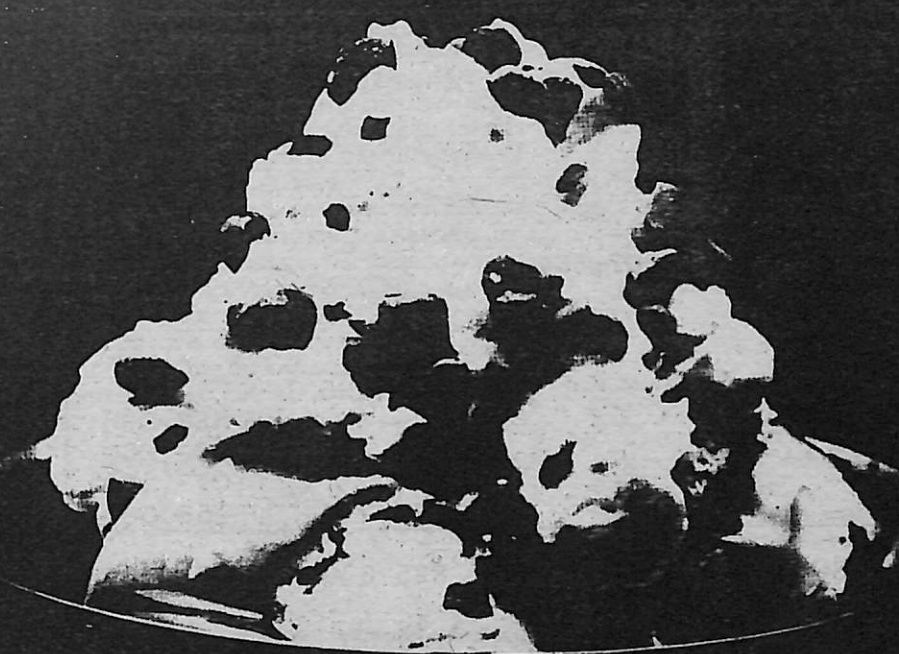
Though the dance instruction has been offered for three years now, both teachers commend this year's group of students. They are quick to point out the youngsters' poise, quick minds, and lack of embarrassment.

"We have none of the typical boy-girl antagonism with this group," Mrs. Lester declares. "We allow the kids to dance as they choose with no set partners. That way, they all enjoy dancing and willingly come back for more."

A final year-end project is now in the planning stages. All of Mrs. Lester's class will participate in singing, and those who have been trained will dance.

"The show will provide a fitting conclusion not only to the study of country dancing, but to a large segment of the social studies curriculum," Mrs. Lester concludes.

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## Special Needs PAC Meeting

On Tuesday, April 7th, the Agawam Parents Advisory Committee will hold a meeting at the Junior High School from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Topics to be discussed include the setting and meeting of goals within the schools for "Special Education" children as mandated by Chapter 766 and the possible setback of Chapter 766 programs due to Proposition 2 1/2.

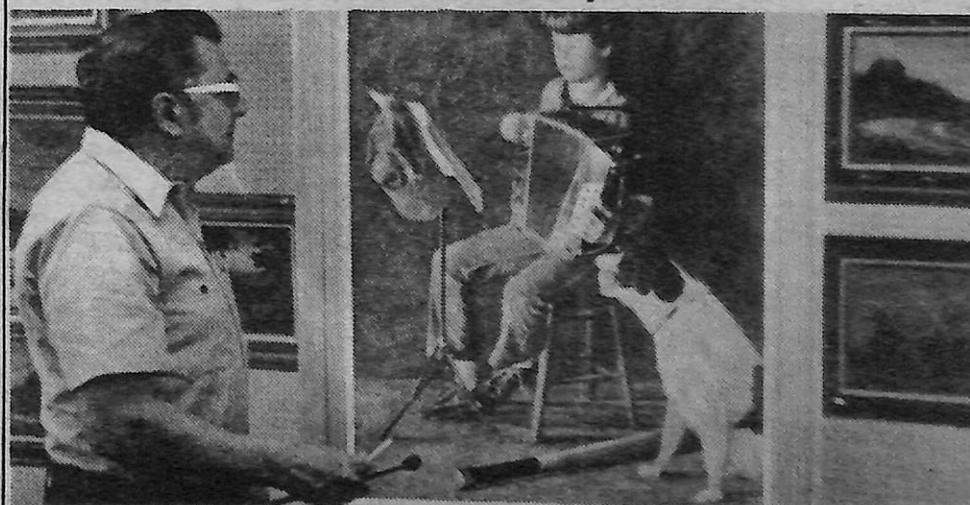
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## Kindergarten Screening Scheduled

The Agawam Public Schools will be conducting registration and screening of children entering kindergarten in September, 1981. Children who will be five (5) years of age prior to October 1, 1981, are eligible for enrollment in kindergarten in September.

Chapter 766 of the Massachusetts Special Education Law requires that each school district provide services for identifying children with special needs. Screening is not a test nor in-depth evaluation, but an observation of how a child is growing in different areas of development.

A screening team will be observing growth in vision, hearing, physical development, language, speech, thinking and behavior. This process will be completed at the time of kindergarten registration.

A special Parent Information Night will be held on Wednesday, April 8th, at 7:30 p.m. at Robinson Park School. The purpose of this meeting is to explain the screening procedure and parents are encouraged to attend and bring their questions. Parents who have not already contacted their neighborhood school should do so immediately.

Children will be screened by appointment only. Screening dates are as follows: May 4 & 5: Robinson Park; May 6 & 7: Granger; May 8: Phelps; May 12: Clark.

Should you have any questions, contact the principal of the elementary school nearest to you.

## National Language Week At AHS

To commemorate National Foreign Language Week, April 5-11, many activities are being planned at Agawam High School. A showcase in the lobby and corridor bulletin boards promoting the study of another language are in the preparation stages. They will emphasize the value and need for knowing foreign languages in the world of today, not only for career advancement and personal enjoyment, but for the prestige and economic growth of our country.

Student originality and creativity are evidenced in their involvement in creative cultural projects incorporating the cooking of ethnic foods, sewing, drawing, costume making, and pinata making.

School lunch menus in French, Spanish, and Italian will be posted in the cafeteria.

The climax of the week will be a special Language Day observance on April 8th in the school auditorium during the last period of the day. French, Spanish, Italian, and Latin students will participate in an entertaining program of original skits and music. Among these will be the French version of "Tic Tac Dough," a Spanish version of "Family Feud," and an Italian classroom skit.

Music will be provided by Rosemary DeStefano with selections on the accordion; Jerry Graziano with guitar tunes and Italian songs; and Marva Cuffee, who will sing in Spanish and Italian.



Stephen Schiller, from the Springfield Symphony Orchestra, entertains Danahy School students in a recent concert. Wide Horizons sponsored Mr. Schiller who delighted the young students. Photo by Jack Devine.

## Symphony Player Addresses Danahy Music Students

Steven Schiller, principal trumpet player with the Springfield Symphony Orchestra, visited Danahy School fourth and fifth grades last Thursday, Mrs. Sylvia Starkie, elementary music teacher for the Agawam schools, was able to contract his services through the Wide Horizons Project, a Title IV-C grant through which Mrs. Starkie developed a kit entitled "Music Meets The Museum."

The kit relates the study of the instruments of the symphony orchestra to Pablo Picasso's many cubist painting involving these same instruments. The children then create their own designs a la Picasso using their knowledge about the instruments of the orchestra, their shapes, sizes, and tone colors.

Schiller's demonstration was a reinforcement of those lessons. He gave children a closer look at the trumpet as a solo instrument and demonstrated how it, the flugel horn and the piccolo trumpet are played and gave the children a chance to try them.

The children had many questions for Schiller and he explained that his ears are particularly sensitive. He can even hear a dog whistle, which is out of the hearing range of most people. However, it is very painful so he wears specially made earplugs.

Children related to the fact that Schiller did not practice the trumpet much when he was in grade 4, but by the 7th grade, he was "into it" and taking private lessons. He majored in music in college and now makes his living through the Springfield Symphony and in various small performing groups.

"Making a living in music is not for everyone, but the more you understand something, the more you enjoy it," said Schiller.

Danahy students are now looking forward to exploring the rest of the kit including sections entitled "Follow the Fugue," "See My Variations," and "All That Jazz."

## Enthusiasm Builds For Recital Evening

After several weeks of recitals by students in the elementary, Middle, and Junior High instrumental groups, the Faculty/Alumni Recital and Jazz Concert will provide students with a chance to hear some of their teachers and graduates perform.

Admission to the Faculty Recital at the Agawam Junior High on Wednesday, April 8th is free with donations to music scholarships accepted. Special invitations have been issued to many student performers and their families, and the general public is welcome beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Successful rehearsals of the Faculty/Alumni Big Band have been held with a full complement of performers including a sax section of Zachary Tileston, Scott Thomson, Darcy G. Davis, Jordan St. John, and Dante Pilegi.

The trumpet section will feature Robert Lester, John Graveline, Darcy B. Davis, and Todd Connery. The trombone section includes Larry Kublin, Andy Lester, Paul Joseph, and Ken Gallano.

Rhythm sections include William Hughes, Albert Baggetta, David Baldock, James Graveline, and Brian Asta-Ferero.

Several alumni who were prominent in the Broadway musicals presented at Agawam High will also be on hand to perform including Dean Jevons and Pam (Lockhart) Moriarty from "Annie Get Your Gun" and Leslie Cole from "Bye, Bye, Birdie."

The first part of the program will feature serious recital numbers by some of the music staff and All-Eastern honor students Todd Rovelli and Andy Lester.

## Parent Advocates For Gifted Organize

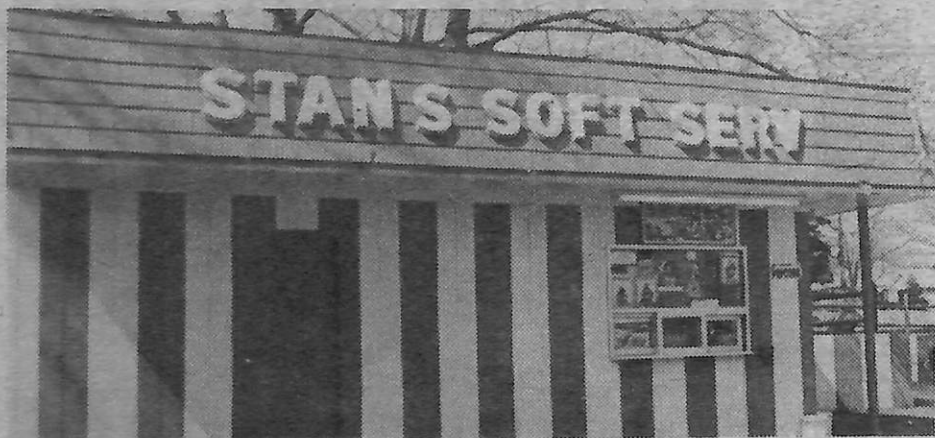
Concerned parents and educators who are interested in the formation of a parent advocacy group for the gifted and talented students in Agawam will meet on April 6th at 7 p.m. at the Junior High faculty dining room.

The purpose of this group will be to work toward creating an awareness of the special educational needs of gifted children and to work with the school system to implement programs to meet these needs.

Speakers at this first meeting will be Mrs. Ann Bradford, director of Project S.E.E., and Mrs. Phyllis Lewis, who works with able first and second graders at Granger School.

If you would like to attend, please call Mrs. Cynthia Cross at 786-5981 or Mrs. Judith Hebert at 786-8406.

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## Guidance Bulletin Board

By Paul Cavallo  
Chairman,  
Guidance Dept.

The high school guidance department is planning two important projects during the remainder of the school year. The first will take place in May and will be directed toward the parents of Juniors (next year's Seniors). Counselors will describe college application procedures, financial aid, scholarships, testing, etc. in small group situations. In the past, this program has proved to be very informative and beneficial to parents.

Our second project slated for June will be a Career Day for sophomores and juniors. Students have already made their occupational selections and the guidance department has tabulated the results. Over 50 occupations will be represented. It has been two years since our last Career Day and for the underclassmen, it should be a rewarding experience.

More details will follow concerning these two events in this column.

Our program of courses for next year is in the process of being printed. There are many changes in course offerings for next year. Also, there are major changes in credit requirements for graduation. These changes will be described in detail in this column at the same time as we discuss them with the underclassmen.

A final reminder to seniors: All local scholarship applications must be returned to the guidance office as the clubs' representatives are beginning to pick them up for evaluation.

Agawam Girls Basketball Booster Club Scholarship: This is a new scholarship for senior girls who have played either varsity or junior varsity basketball and who plan to continue education and has been accepted at an accredited college.

Open House at UMass School of Engineering will be held on Saturday, April 4th. It is open to students and their parents. For information, see your guidance counselor.

## Suburban Living Brought Home To Third Graders

What is a suburb? Agawam third-grade students, who study cities and suburbs as part of their social studies curriculum, can define "suburb" in terms of their view of their hometown - an outlying community dependent on a larger city. Yet, these students are often unaware of how a suburb evolves or how life in a suburb changes over the years.

By using "Life in a 19th-Century Suburb," a curriculum unit developed through the Wide Horizons Project this year, these third-graders gain an understanding of the roots of a suburb. In particular, the students have the opportunity to explore the roles and lifestyles of the residents of Storowton Village, a restored "suburb" of the early 1800's similar to Agawam a century ago. This curriculum unit, developed by third-grade teachers Terry Augusti and Sheryl Mardeusz of Clark School, also helps students contrast life in the predominantly agricultural 19th-century village with life in Agawam today.

Before beginning their exploration of 19th-century life, the students don their colonial hats - bonnets for girls, tricornes for boys - to help them feel as if they are children of that era. The unit's activities, which teach not only social studies, but also research skills, writing and language arts, focus on the roles and tasks of the children of a farming family since 90% of all New England families of the period were engaged in agriculture.

For example, the students learn how to make copybooks and write with quill pens. They explore the furnishings of a typical 19th-century farmhouse, and enjoy a taffy pull, a popular recreational activity for children then.

The focal point of the unit is a "Look Back Day" at Storowton Village. For a full school day, the students act as 19th-century children - wearing period clothing, attending school and meeting house, engaging in tasks appropriate to their sex (apprenticeships and chores for boys; cooking and sewing for girls).

Through Look Back, the students not only have the opportunity to be children of the period, but also to gain an appreciation of the family traditions and village customs of the 19th-century suburb.

The success of "Life in a 19th-Century Suburb" is due to the creativity and hard work of the teachers. As Terry Augusti points out, the unit works because "Sheryl and I knew what our students needed and what resources Storowton Village had to offer to fill those needs."

By using this unit, Agawam third-graders now have a unique way to look at the past and present growth and life of their hometown.

## Students Receive Degrees

Western New England College recently granted 172 degrees this February.

Receiving degrees from Agawam were: Phillip B. Noll of 119 River Road in electric engineering and Clifford W. Turcotte of 15 Alfred Circle who received a masters degree in business administration.

Receiving a BS in business administration/accounting was Bruce T. Gregalis of 23 Lincoln Street, Feeding Hills.



Jingles the Clown will appear at the Agawam Public Library on April 8th as part of National Library Week. Jingles is a real crowd-pleaser and the kids will enjoy his act.

## Celebrate National Library Week

There's a circus of fun coming to the Agawam Public Library for National Library Week, April 6-11.

On Wednesday, April 8th, from 7-8 p.m., Jingles the Clown will be at the library for a fun-filled evening of entertainment for all ages. Jingles has been a professional clown since 1976 and is a member of Clowns of America, the International Organization for Clowns, and the Clown League of Zoro, a group of which he is president.

Magic, stunts, and balloon sculpture will highlight Jingles' performance which is free to all Agawam residents. Advance tickets may be obtained by calling the library or stopping by the desk. Early registration is suggested as tickets are limited.

Thursday, April 9th will feature an After-School Storytime of fables and folklore from Aesop to today with stories and filmstrips and fun for all children grades K-5. The program will run from 4-5 o'clock and registration can be made by phone or in person.

"Pete's Dragon" is coming to wind up the celebration on Saturday, April 11. There will be three showings of the movie: at 10 a.m., 1 p.m., and 3:30 p.m. Reserve tickets for the show of your choice may be obtained by calling the library at 789-1550 or by stopping by the desk.

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The Pioneer Valley Chapter of the American Diabetes Association is having a five-mile fundraising Bike-Walk-Runathon on Sunday, April 12, at 9 a.m. The route will begin and end at Duggan Jr. High on Wilbraham Road. There will also be routes in Westfield and Holyoke for which information can be obtained from Westfield State College and Holyoke Community College.

Rags, Agawam's famous police dog, will be among the participants in Springfield. Rags, in his recent struggle to regain the use of his legs, realizes the benefit of exercise and stands as a symbol of hope and courage for those who face a serious problem like diabetes.

If you cannot participate yourself, why not pledge a donation to Rags? To sponsor Rags, call 786-9052 or mail your tax deductible donation to Pioneer Valley Chapter of the American Diabetes Association, C/O Carol Irwin, 104 Noel Street, Springfield, 01108.

A trip to Florida, a radio, and a ten-speed bicycle are only a few of the many prizes to be awarded on the basis of money collected. Drinks will be provided along the route, but walkers are advised to bring a snack or lunch.

Sponsor sheets are available at Springfield fire stations and at most area colleges. For more information, call 783-8775.

## Laughing Brook Activities

Massachusetts Audubon Society's Laughing Brook Education Center in Hampden is sponsoring an evening program entitled Ecology Of Wildflowers on Tuesday, April 7th at 7:30.

The program will give participants an in-depth look at native wildflowers and how they live in an ever-changing environment. Many aspects of wildflowers such as food for wildlife and people will be included. Mary Sherwood will be the leader of the program.

Massachusetts Audubon Society Dr. Charles E. Roth will be offered. "Mammals of the Connecticut Valley" will give participants a chance to learn about the lives and lore of local mammals including behavior and identification of furred animals from carnivores to rodents. The two-session program will be held on Friday, April 10, at 7:30 and Saturday, April 11, at 9 a.m.

"Sketching for Naturalists" is designed to teach basic art skills to people who observe nature, the value of keeping a field notebook, etc. No previous art experience is necessary. This workshop is set for Saturday, April 11, at 1 p.m.



PATROLMAN NORMAN NARDI AND RAGS take time out for a photo with Pioneer Valley Chapter of the American Diabetes Association officials. On April 12, Officer Nardi and Rags will walk for the Association. Photo by Jack Devine.

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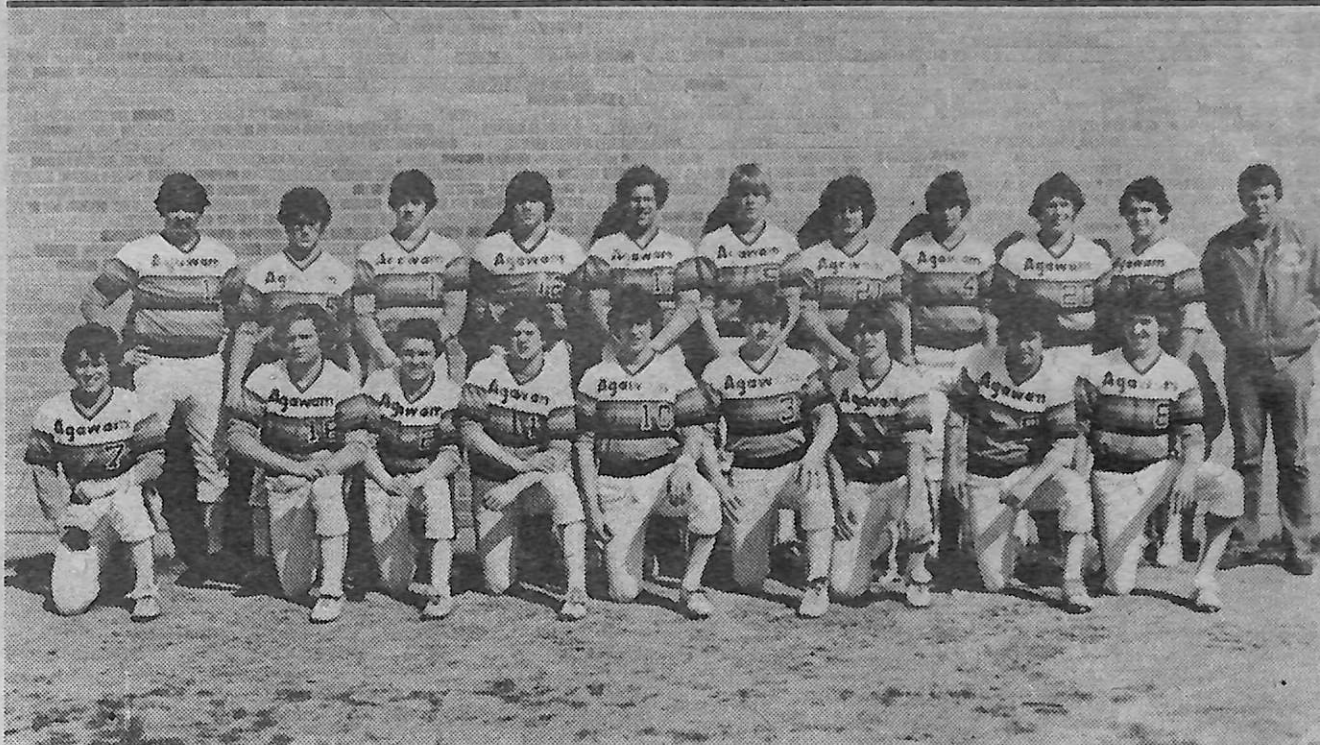
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# SPORTS



The 1981 varsity baseball squad guided by Coach Gerry Smith (far right corner). Smith is in his 13th year at the Brownie' helm and anticipates another solid season for Agawam baseball. Photo by Jack Devine.

## Another Wheel Title For Smith?

By Steve Berard

A feeling of optimism can be felt in the locker room of the high school's boys varsity baseball squad.

"We've got a great team and we're going to do it," booms shortstop Scott Negrucci. The well-rounded unit is guided by veteran coach Gerry Smith, who is in his 13th year as varsity caretaker.

Smith anticipates back-to-back Valley Wheel crowns.

Last season the Brownies were knocked out by Taconic in the Western Mass. semi-finals.

Pitching will be a key for the Brownies in unlocking the league crown in defending their title. Agawam has a bumper crop of moundsmen.

"We don't have the big number one pitcher like we've had in the past, but overall we have more pitching depth," notes Smith.

John Calabrese, Paul Dezielle, Scott Karam, Boo Smith and Dave Vecchiarelli are all shooting for a spot in the 3-man starting rotation. Boo Smith was the only sophomore to make the varsity squad.

Smith has chosen tri-captains this season. They are seniors Donald Gallerani, Scott Karam, and Dave Lyne. Last season, Gallerani and Lyne were named to the All Western Mass. Baseball League with an amazing .507 average. Junior, Kevin Barnes, will once again take the catching duties behind the plate. The 6'2", 205 pounder was named to the all star team in legion play last season.

In their first practice game, Agawam dropped a 5-3 decision against Division II powerhouse Southwick. Smith was unable to use this game for testing and maneuvering his line-up. Opening game will be played on April 10th against Commerce.

Smith believes Longmeadow and Northampton will be the main contenders in the Valley Wheel race. "I think we're going to have a strong season," states second baseman Donald Gallerani. "We should be able to take the crown again," he adds. Brian Rheault and Ed Morace will be the Brownies assistant coaches.

With Smith stating his team is "two deep at every position," it is evident the locals have a strong bench. Hopefully, this depth will put the Brownies atop the Valley Wheel League.

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## Girls Track Seek Big Improvement

By Debbie Guidi

An enthusiastic girl's track team is looking forward to the start of the season, which is just around the corner. Although past seasons have been less than successful, the Brownies are hoping for a fresh start under the leadership of first year coach Rosemary Stratton.

"In the past we've had some individual records, with a few girls doing well in their individual capacities, but on the whole as a team we didn't do that well," said Mrs. Stratton.

She continued, "We got a good nucleus this year, though we're hurting in the sprints. I'm optimistic about our field events. We're strong there, and our long distance runners will be able to hold their own. But as far as sprinters go, we're rebuilding."

The Brownies will have added guidance in assistant coach Kathy Spellacy and volunteer helpers David Resigno and Craig Cosby.

Returning seniors are: Karen Barr, and Denise Murray (javelin, discus), Kathy Foley (shotput), Ana Piliero and Patrice Ross (javelin, discus), Ann Sherry and Ann Taupier. Two of these, Denise Murray and Patrice Ross, qualified for the Western Mass. tournament last spring.

Mrs. Stratton is especially enthusiastic about second year senior Lynn Mogan's chances of going a long way as the season progresses. "We're looking for a winner there," she said.

The squad will be further enhanced by first year senior Debbie Cheetham, who Coach Stratton expects to be solid in distance running and in the high jump.

In addition, the coach singled out Rita Iacola, who she considers promising and will perform in the already overstocked javelin event.

The discus event will be boosted by Lynn Fratini and Karen Wesley, both sophomores.

The team will get help in the running department from Sue Conway, who Mrs. Stratton expects to be a solid performer in the 440 relay.

With pre-season hopes high and several strong individuals predicted to be in post-season competition, the team will square-off against Longmeadow on April 13 in an away meet before confronting South Hadley's Tigers on April 16 at 3:30 p.m. at the high school track.

## Trackers May Have Lean Season

By Debbie Guidi

While the boys track squad goes into the upcoming campaign without a losing season since 1973 when coach Joe Modzelewski and assistant coach Gus Young took over, Modzelewski is anticipating that things may be somewhat rougher this time around.

Modzelewski attributes his veiled pessimism mainly due to the fact that there is not much returning talent to count on.

"I'd consider the team to be in a rebuilding process. We've got a lot of young kids and not much of a senior core," he said.

The team this season includes eight seniors: David Rawson (discus), Dean Poggi (shotput), Brian Fogg and Mario Saracino (javelin), David Stuart and Mark Moiriano (hurdles), Troy Labrecque and Todd Labrecque (distance runners).

Modzelewski singled out Dan Jury and John Danaher, both distance runners, as two outstanding juniors on the squad. Newcomers to watch include sophomore sprinters Mike Beaudette, Frank DeStefano, and Steve Young.

The Coach expects these competitors to be "outstanding in the events they'll be in," despite their inexperience.

The trackers boast impressive seasonal records for the past five seasons or so, finishing 8-4 last year and 12-0 the previous season, with 11-1 and 10-1 seasons before that.

"We expect a fair season," Modzelewski appraised of the situation. "We've had some extremely successful seasons in the past. Gus Young does an outstanding job as assistant coach," he added.

This year's schedule will include the usual 5:30 meet later in the season against Southwick, which allows working parents to see their sons compete.

Most meets begin at 3:00 in the afternoon, so the later starting time once each season is welcomed by parents who normally don't get to attend.

The squad's first encounter of the season is scheduled for April 13 against Longmeadow at their home track at the high school.

## Girls Softball Has High Hopes

By Steve Berard

With only four seniors on the squad, Agawam High's varsity girls softball nine may be lacking in experience, but they are young and energetic and hungry for the upcoming season.

Coached by second year mentor Larry Sheehan, the Brownie girls are looking forward to a strong spring. "We're a young team with a lot of speed and a good attitude," claims senior catcher Ann Abbey. "Coach Sheehan is really working us hard," she adds.

After a mediocre record last year, the chances of the locals becoming a Valley/Wheel threat rides on the shoulders of starting pitchers Angela Ross and Besty O'Keefe.

"We have two relatively inexperienced pitchers and everything revolves around them," states Sheehan. "After a some game experience, we should be all set," adds junior Betsy O'Keefe.

Offensively, the team is led by first baseman, Sheri Baldarelli. "Sheri's our powerhouse," says Julie Moran, who will be sharing the catching duties with Abbey. Moran feels the squad has to work on consistency because last season they clobbered some of the best squads in the circuit and then turned around and folded against some of the weaker sisters.

Agawam will face the strong Chicopee Pacers in opening game action. The Pacers have seven returning seniors and will be tough on the diamond throughout the spring.

Sheehan concludes, "We're playing 3 new teams in a 20-game schedule and I'm looking forward to a good season."

## AAA Suburban Tryouts

The Agawam Athletic Association Suburban baseball and softball tryouts for boys 14-16 and girls 13-15 will take place at the Agawam Junior High School on Saturday, April 4th at 12:30.

Athletes are asked to report to the gymnasium prior to tryouts.



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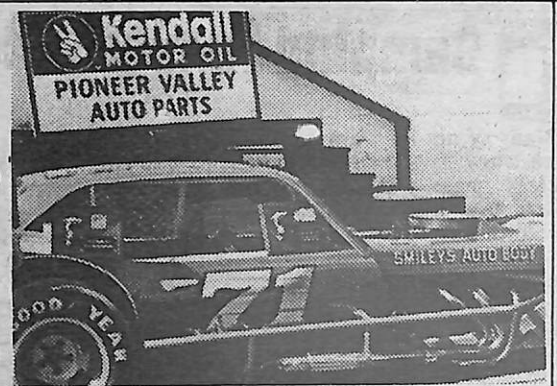
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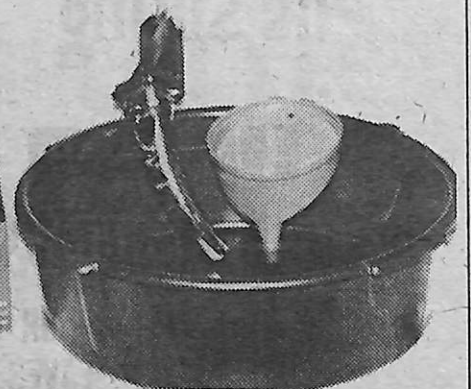
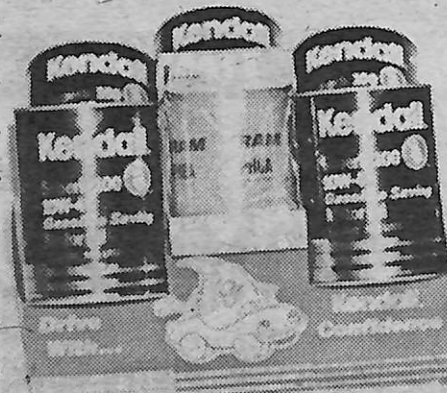
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## Spring Sizzler Schedule Set

By Larry Bouchard

The Tenth Annual \$50,000 Spring Sizzler from Stafford Springs, Connecticut, the greatest race in the history of the Spring, is just one week away and Ed Yerrington, promoter of the NASCAR-sanctioned half-mile speedway, has released the schedule of activities for the two-day event to help fans and competitors coordinate their plans for the weekend of April 11 & 12 at the Stafford Motor Speedway.

Yerrington, in announcing the schedule, wants to remind ticket buyers that while sales are running ahead of last year, there are plenty of good seats still available to choose from. He added, "We'll have the ticket office open Sunday from noon to 5 p.m. for those people who can't make it to the speedway office during regular business hours."

The schedule calls for the admission gates for advance ticket holders to open at 9 a.m. on Saturday, with ticket booths opening one hour later at 10.

Reserved seat tickets for the two-day Spring Sizzler are priced at \$12 for adults and \$6 for children 12 and under, while general admission tickets for the low bleachers in the fourth turn area are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children.

The schedule for Saturday, April 11 is as follows: 10 a.m., ticket booths open and practice begins; 12:30 p.m., practice ends and drivers meet; 1 p.m., time trials begin; and 2:30 p.m. qualifying heats begin followed by a brief intermission and consolation race.

On Sunday, April 12, admission gates for advance ticket holders open at 9:30 and ticket booths a half hour later.

Schedule for Sunday is as follows: 11:30, mandatory drivers meeting; 12 noon, practice begins for non-qualifiers only; 12:45, practice ends; 1:30, qualifying heats for non-qualifiers feature followed by consolation race for same. National Parts Peddler Non-Qualifiers Race (50 laps).

After a brief intermission, the thirty-car starting field for the Tenth Annual \$50,000 Spring Sizzler will begin. The Motor Racing Network will broadcast the Sizzler to a national audience.

For more information, call the speedway at 203-684-2783 Monday through Friday between 9 and 4 o'clock.

## Riverside Speedway Joins NASCAR



Riverside Park Speedway and NASCAR have again joined forces for the 1981 Modified racing season. Edward J. Carroll Jr., operator of the popular quarter-mile facility in Agawam, recently signed the 1981 sanction agreement with Bill France Jr. at Daytona Beach, Florida, home of NASCAR. The move again assures Riverside Speedway of drawing top-notch competitors to its track, which is located on the grounds of Riverside Park. Opening night is scheduled for May 9 at 7:30 p.m. Practice days for owners and drivers has been set for April 25th and May 2.



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— An ice pick. A screwdriver can substitute, but not nearly as well. (And never, never try to chop ice while it's in your cooler — you'll slip and damage the cooler.)

— A plastic soap holder. Very handy if several people carry the same bar of soap

to the washrooms during the day.

— A couple of pot holders. You'll always need them while cooking.

— Plastic containers with secure tops for leftovers that will keep the food out of the water in your cooler.

— Plastic bags and clinging plastic wrap. Excellent for cold cuts, sliced fruit,

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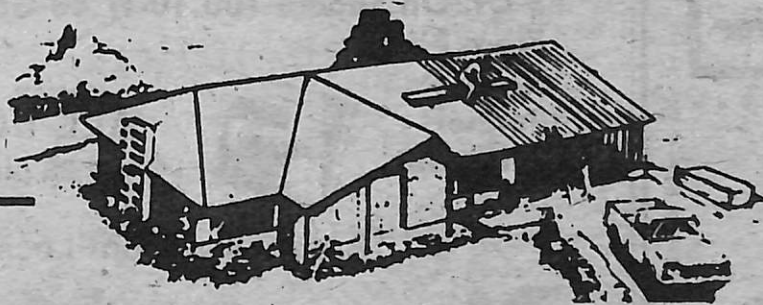
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## Sportsman Corner

By Bill Chiba

The room resounded with "Yelps," "Kee, Kee," and "Putt-Cluck," robust laughter and the clatter of dishes. This scenario took place at the Douglas Galleries, Deerfield, Mass. The affair was billed as a turkey seminar and championship turkey calling contest to choose the champion caller for the New England states.

Three hundred turkey hunters enjoyed a dinner of turkey and stuffing before the events began. Seated at our table were Helen and Clyde Light, Bill Colson, Noel Brown, Tony Marcell of Feeding Hills; Ed Lewis of New York; Paul Quaglini of West Springfield; and Mr. and Mrs. Hill of Albany.

It was awesome to view so many hunters gathered in one room and interested in the wild turkey. Carl Prescott, Division of Fisheries and Wildlife, Mass., gave a rundown on the turkey project in Massachusetts and the success that has materialized so rapidly that a second spring season for turkey will be held this May.

A movie on hunting turkeys was shown and points on being successful hunters were well documented. John Randall, Bennington, Vermont, talked on his

prowess hunting the elusive bird. He is well qualified for he is considered by his peers as the most accomplished turkey hunter in the Northeast.

Doc Blanchard, West Springfield, and his co-traveler, Doc White, were in attendance. Doc Blanchard is a good turkey hunter and has taken several birds in Vermont. He can really make all the calls sound so realistic that fellow hunters in Vermont tried to call him in to shooting range one fall. He wanted to enter the calling contest but could not as he was suffering from, of all things, a root canal operation.

I thought I was doing very well with the mouth call I purchased. Boy, was I taken down a peg or two. I stepped out into the hall for a change of air, and a young lad about 10 years old was making all the calls with a soda straw. Then not to be outdone, a second lad stepped forward with a flat rock and a rusty nail and proceeded to mimic the kid with the straw. He did all the calls that I was struggling to master with the manufactured mouth call. Leave it to the younger generation to come up with bizarre ideas for accomplishing what adults spend money and time to perfect.

Maybe this year I can call in a turkey and get a crack at it. I well remember my first attempt at turkey calling in Vermont. I was in the most ideal location between two gobblers that did answer my weird call. However, they kept their distance. The only birds that came to investigate the noise were two woodpeckers.

One of them let loose with a noise that sounded exactly like the call I made. Needless to say, I packed up my gear and proceeded back to the car and waited for Doc Blanchard to join me at 11 in the morning.

## On Sports

BY JOHN DALTON

These are the days of \$1 million-a-year baseball stars.

But some teams know how to stretch a dollar when it comes to payroll expenses. Wealthy free agents don't always produce winning teams.

The Oakland Athletics were the most cost-effective team in baseball in 1980 because each of their 83 victories cost only \$17,227 in player salaries, according to the April issue of SPORT magazine.

The least efficient team? It was the talent-laden California Angels, with a staggering \$91,099 cost per win. They fell flat and won only 65 games.

To obtain the cost-effectiveness (CE) figures, SPORT magazine divided each team's victories into the total salary paid to its players. The salaries were taken from Major League Players Association figures as of last Aug. 31.

The Yankees, with the highest payroll in baseball at \$7,045,173 (for an average player salary of \$242,837), had a CE of \$68,400 — they won 103 games.

The CE of the world champion Philadelphia Phillies was \$63,221.

"A bargain-basement winner was Kansas City, whose trip to the World Series was based on a CE of only \$25,890," notes SPORT.

"Houston, whom the Phils beat in the playoffs, spent \$49,406 per win during the regular season," the magazine reports. "The Orioles, runners-up to the Yankees,

were another outfit with a favorable CE; salaries amounted to only \$29,039 for each one of their 100 victories."

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"Not bootlegging," says Jackie Stewart, "but auto racing."

Stewart, a three-time winner of the world driving championship, serves as an expert commentator on ABC-TV Sports for auto racing telecasts.

"There is no stronger following of stock car racing than in the South," says Stewart, who figures it stems from the old moonshine days.

The South has turned out the majority of today's drivers, too.

"It all started with the bootleggers who made their runs in the fastest cars available," Stewart claims. "This fascination with cars and driving developed into an art form which we know today as auto racing."

He says the stock car sport "is one of the most spectacular forms of car racing in the world today."

"Stock car drivers compete in a pack creating a closeness of competition that is unreal," notes Stewart. "Stock cars are extremely evenly matched, the pit stops are the most efficient of any in the world and the safety standards of both the cars and the track are of the highest quality."

Not like the old days, that's for sure.

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## Cheerleaders Score High At Competition

The Agawam Varsity Cheerleaders recently competed in a Cheerleading Competition held at North Attleborough High School in North Attleborough, Mass.

Seventeen squads competed in the weekend tournament. Each squad was required to perform a four-minute routine. Agawam's cheerleaders placed fourth overall in the tournament and received a fine trophy for the school's trophy case.

In addition, these spirited young Brownies were also awarded the Unity Award by the North Attleborough cheerleaders.

The plaque signifies the cheerleaders' outstanding abilities in teamwork, leadership, friendliness and effort displayed throughout the year. All the cheerleaders agreed that this would not be possible without the understanding and kindness from their coach, Donnal Bodurtha.

The Agawam Varsity Cheerleaders are: co-captains, Lisa Ghedi and Chris Liquori; Chris Norman, Georgia Kratimenos, Wendy Czerpak, Doreen Sardella, Gina Ferraro, Beth Dahlke, Nena DeMaio, Regina Saracino, Diane D'Alma, Sharon Barker, Sue Bodurtha, and Mary Walsh.



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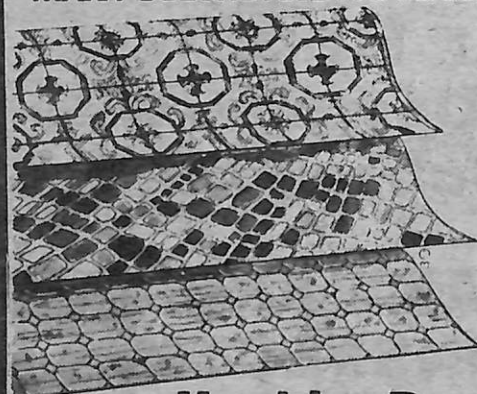


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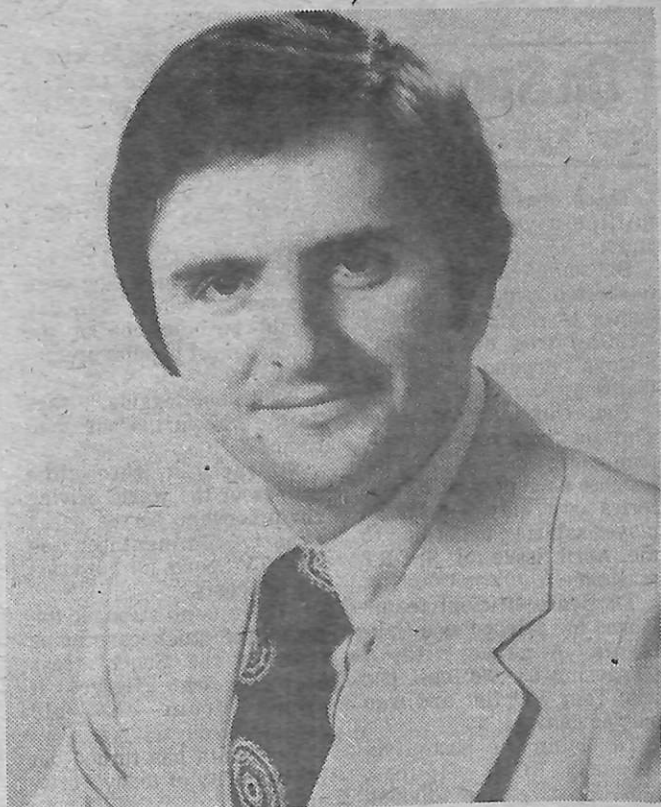
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Moore, senior account supervisor at the Hartford-based New England Group Pension office, has qualified for the 1980 Gold Circle Award, Connecticut General's highest honor for leading producers in the group pension operations for excellence in all phases of sales and services to clients.

This is the second time Moore has qualified for the award.

## Fran's Place Awards Door Prizes



Fran's Place at 297 Springfield Street, Agawam, was opened on March 5th. The shoppe features handcrafted gifts and artwork by local artists. Lynne Witkiewicz, assistant manager drew the grand opening door prizes on Saturday, March 21. First Prize Winner was Barbara DeMaio, who happily opens her gift from Fran's Place. Second Prize went to Chris Langone of Agawam who won a 1981 hummel bell. Photo by Jack Devine.

## Bulson Promoted At Milton Bradley

Albin E. Bulson of Feeding Hills has been appointed assistant corporate controller for Milton Bradley Company, according to an announcement from Stanley Strzempek, senior vice president/finance and chief financial officer.

Bulson had been assistant division controller since 1978 and has been with Milton Bradley for thirteen years.

Prior to coming to Milton Bradley, Bulson was an audit supervisor for the accounting firm of Coopers

and Lybrand. He earned his bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Clarkson College, Potsdam, New York, and served in the Finance Corp of the U.S. Army.

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